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Park and pay

Free parking? Not any longer. Students who choose to park their cars in restricted areas will have a surprise waiting for them on their windshields — a $5 parking ticket.
(Photo by Russ Duhaime)

No truth to rumor

Niagara College will not change its name and will not amalgamate with Mohawk College in Hamilton, Jacqueline Robarts, president of Niagara College, said.

Rumors of the amalgamation are "bullshit — and you can quote me on that," Miss Robarts said.

It all started with a notice on a bulletin board, listing a committee meeting which considers names for the college's buildings and facilities. Someone saw "name change"and assumed it meant the whole college, she said.

The rumors blossomed to the point where a new name, flag and logo were supposedly ready for adoption.

The colleges do provide facilities for each other, Miss Robarts said, so that Welland students can take Mohawk College courses at Niagara College and Hamilton students can study courses offered by Niagara College at Mohawk. This system is a "model for the province," she said.

As for rumors of amalgamation, her answer is a solid no and, "If people have nothing else to do but circulate that kind of rumor, I feel sorry for them. It's a malicious waste of time.

Chinese students arrive tomorrow

By RENATA DINNOCENZO
Staff Writer

Two of the four Chinese coming to Niagara College for business training will arrive tomorrow.

The arrival of Chang Shi Yi and Li Wei Ning from Chengdu, Sichuan, of the Republic of China will make Niagara College the first college to train Chinese in business to teach at the Chengdu Management Centre.

The Chengdu project is the first venture into international education for Niagara College.

Only two are coming since one of the Chinese, Chen Wei, is undergoing medical tests and may arrive at a later date, Hans van der Slagt, academic co-ordinator for the project, said.

NOT COMING

Lu Shi Gang will not be coming due to difficulties with his health exam.

The two mature students, who will be staying for 18 months, were expected to arrive Oct. 15 but encountered delays along the way.

At first, it took a long time before the Canadian International Development Agency (CIDA), which is funding the project, approved the budgets, Nicole Vigeant, co-ordinator of student services for the project, said.

Then the Chinese faced delays in getting their student visas.

STAFF PREPARES

Meanwhile, staff at the college have been preparing for their arrival.

Two Niagara College teachers will act as "mentors" working on a one-to-one basis with the students, Mr. van der Slagt said.

Tony Goss, economics instructor, is knowledgeable about China, its people and their culture and Gordon Chen, electronics instructor, speaks Chinese.

There will be an orientation set up for the student on Wednesday and their classes will begin on Thursday.

The Chinese will be involved in a supervisory management program.

OBSERVE TECHNIQUES

Through the program, they will observe teaching techniques, learn observe teaching techniques, learn business English and meet with the supervisors of local industries enrolled in the program.

English, it is at a Grade 9 level. To upgrade their level they will be taking English as a second language.

They will also be studying a business topic of their choice of interest.

Mr. Shi Yi, the 48-year-old aviation engineer and machine designer instuctor, is interested in studying production management.

Mr. Wei Ning, the 28-year-old in electrical hardware, is interested in studying the principles of management and behavioral sciences.

Russell winner

A 37-year-old math and computer teacher from Niagara College has won the vice-chancellor's science medal from Brock University for obtaining an 88.5 per cent overall average.

John Russell, of Fonthill, was unable to attend Brock University's convocation Oct. 28 to receive his science medal along with his bachelor of science degree in computer science because of his studies.Mr. Russell is currently taking a year's sabbatical to work on his master's degree in computer science at McMaster University.

"Computer languages– when they are used and what their best application is—is the basis for my master's thesis," the St. Catharines Standard quoted Mr. Russell as saying.

BEGAN COURSES

Mr. Russell came to work for Niagara College in 1973 and a few years later, began to take up courses in his favorite field of computers.

His fascination for computers includes: microprocessors, telecommunications and, of course, computer languages. Used in teaching, microprocessors mirror his instruction and experience in the classroom, while telecommunications employ his engineering expertise through electronic mail and integrated office systems.

Conference speaker:

Canada needs restructured economy to maintain competitive position

By CHITRA RAMASETHU
Staff Writer

If Canada is to maintain its position and compete in the global village, it must start rapidly restructuring its economy, Doug Baldwin, Labor Canada, said in a Labor-Management conference Nov. 3.

"Our competitive edge and certain traditional markets have been eroded by manufactured goods from third world countries, and our struggle for market share and developing technology is threatened by other advanced industrialized societies," Mr. Baldwin, who is the director of employment relations and conditions of work branch, said.

Government, in fostering better labor-management relations, is providing technical and financial assistance in the form of seed money," designed to assist the parties in undertaking the necessary preparatory work," and acquire expertise. It is promoting quality-of-work-life courses through workshops and seminars, the keynote speaker said. For example, Labor Canada has sponsored a series of workshops for labor-management personnel of Canadian hospitals.

NOT ADVERSARIES

More than 80 people attended the eighth conference organized by the institute of labor and labor management studies and continuing education services of Niagara College. This year's conference on the theme, Partners in Economic Survival, concluded that labor and management should work as partners, not adversaries.

Open communication and retraining are the keys to ensure that transition brought by technological change does not result in confrontation, Mr. Baldwin said.

Jack Green, of Cynamid Canada, moderator for most of the day, said an often-used analogy describing the relationship between the two parties is that of two people standing on opposite ends of the boat with one lauging at the other because his end is sinking.

"We really have to realize that if the boat goes down we will all go down with it."

JAMESTOWN STORY

When the city of Jamestown, N.Y. was caught in the economic throes of unemployment, deteriorating manufacturing industry, poor labor relations, a decline in population, labor, and management and government leaders put aside antipathy, and formed the Jamestown Area Labor-Management Committee, Larry Carter, co-ordinator of the committee, said. The warring parties joined forces to raise money. "Washington can make friends out of worst enemies," Mr. Carter said.

In Canada, Abex Industries in St. Catharines, finding itself in a similar situation formed a steering committee and trooped won to Jamestown. "We usually had one (strike) for every season of the year," Carey Grant, local president of the International Brotherhood of Teamsters, said.

Based on the Jamestown experience, the steering committee set up a participative management system. It started a new productivity bonus system, opened communications, work-sharing program. "Since then, productivity has increased tremendously," William Dutrzac, plant superintendent, said.

The Shell Oil experience related by Norm Halpern, consultant of organizational effectiveness for Shell Oil illustrated how participation, communication and feedback between labor and management paid off. Recognition of problems like under-utilization of employees, over-control, inability to respond expeditiously to problems, dissatisfaction with shift-work led to the company's reorganization.

SELF-SUFFICIENT TEAMS

The traditional chemical plant organization had a single operating unit with an operating team of 20 people. Now, they have seven teams with 20 people, each with its set of specialized personnel in instrumentation, electrical, pipe-fitting, "so that the teams are self-sufficient," he said.

A "nine-week bonanza" has reduced shift work. Every nine weeks employees get nine days off. During the nine-week cycle, they receive five full weekends off and two partial weekends off. Tests called job knowledge clusters are conducted at each level for up to 10 levels to attain the top phase. "The idea is to learn the skills, not to pass or fail," Mr. Halpern said.

A union representative, Paul Myers, said negotiations are conducted according to a white book, and a good-will book contains the norms of the teams and working conditions.

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ELIZABETH WHITE

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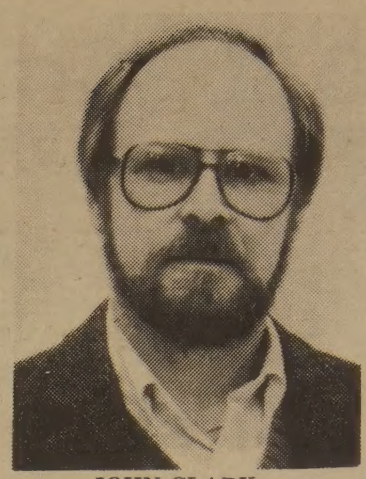

JOHN CLARK

JOYCE LAYTON

TONY BARTKOWIAK

Roving Reporter

Question: American peace-keeping efforts in Lebanon have divided United States public opinion on the merits of international involvement. Do you think Canada should take a more active approach in its foreign policy?

By CINDY MANN and JANE STIRLING
Staff Writers

Rene McKnight, 18, first-year journalism: No, I don't think Canada should get involved at all in Lebanon because it isn't our country. Lebanon doesn't have anything to do with Canada — we don't trade with them.

Joan Hotson, 36, first-year social services: Yes, I do think Canada should take a more active role. Canadians are very tied to the American policy — whatever the Americans are embroiled in affects Canada. Canada should not sit on a fence. We should have input in decisions that will inevitably involve us.

Tony Bartkowiak, 20, first-year human relations: No, I don't think we should get more involved. Americans aren't doing the right thing because they keep sending people overseas and they keep getting killed.

Swen Shannon, 23, radio and TV: Canada should basically be a mediator. Canada has always been known as a peace-loving country dating back to the '60s when Prime Minister Pearson was in office. I approve of External Affairs Minister Allan MacEachen's efforts in Syria. U.S. has loused up their diplomatic efforts at creating and keeping peace. They never know when to get out.

John Clark, 36, co-ordinator of the computer-technology program: I don't think Canada should take the same approach as the U.S. We should stick with our traditional role as an independent arbitrator.

Elizabeth White, 20, library technician: Yes, Canada should get more involved. We're sitting around and not doing anything. Trudeau is waiting for the other countries to solve the problems.

Joyce Layton, 18, first-year human relations: Yes, we should take a more active approach instead of being on the sidelines. We shouldn't get as involved as the U.S. — somewhere in-between.

Jeff Hepburn, 21, first-year law and security: I do think we should take a more active role. I think Americans militarily support Canada and without them, we are lost. I also think Canadians make good peace-keeping personnel and we're good mediators. I think Canada definitely should have a force in Lebanon.

Kathy Dekker, 33, dental assistant: Yes, I think Canada should stand up for itself and its allies more than we do. Canada sits back and is protected by the U.S. defence system but doesn't contribute an awful lot.

Brian Woodrow, 22, first-year interior design: Yes, Canada should make a more definite stand. Now, Canada doesn't have a definite foreign policy. Whatever the U.S. says, we do. We have a wishy-washy policy.

Jean Bartlet, 27, second-year fashion arts: I don't think Canada should be as active as the U.S. The U.S. has a tendency to stick their nose in everywhere and this has got them into a lot of trouble.

Carol Maguire, photography technician: No, I think Canada should remain a mediator for now. We aren't as powerful as the U.S.

Andy Jansen, 28, first-year law and security: Yes, I do think Canada should take a more active approach. I feel that Canada should send a contingent of our armed forces to Lebanon to bolster the presence of the UN peace-keeping forces there. It is only in this way that Communism can be kept under control.

Alexandra Fic, co-ordinator of the general college program: Canada is doing a little bit better than it used to in its foreign policy and seems to be taking a more independent stand. In the case of the Korean jet, Canada took a tougher stand before the U.S.

JOAN HOTSON

Big problem

Lack of money for RTV equipment

Lack of money for broadcast education equipment is the big problem today, delegates learned at the 1983 broadcast education association conference in Toronto.

The conference, held Oct. 21 to 23 in the Chelsea Inn, focused on the theme, "Toward 2000 in Broadcast Education."

Larry Taylor, program co-ordinator of the Niagara College radio and television program and this year's conference chairman, said it gave delegates a chance to "see what's coming and how we can adapt to it."

About 50 delegates from colleges across Canada attended the conference to hear speakers such as John Shewbridge, CBC vice-president of planning and evaluation, and Peter Desbarats, dean of the school of journalism of the University of Western Ontario.

Mr. Taylor said the conference took all year to plan. "It's a big job, but it's worth it." He said he missed much of it because chairman duties kept him busy, but others told him they got "good material out of it."

The most interesting panel was on alternate funding, he said. RTV equipment has always been expensive, but "the problem is coming more to the fore. Money just isn't there."

Mr. Taylor, a director of the Broadcast Education Association Conference (BEAC/ACER) said it all began seven or eight years ago, when "a half-dozen (instructors) would get together" to discuss common classroom problems, student evaluation and job-placement. "I was on the original committee," he said.

Niagara College president Jacqueline Robarts, who attended the conference as a panelist at the alternate sources of funding workshop, praised Mr. Taylor for his work as conference chairman, adding she "heard many comments on what a great job Larry had done."

WV carpenters get $ for tools

A $300 gift certificate for the purchase of tools was presented to the carpentry class by Niagara College's student senate, Steve Beardwood, senate president, said.

Last year, the carpentry class built cupboards in the senate office and a trophy case. "We're just paying them back for it," Steve said.

The money is coming from the senate fund. The gift certificate will come from a hardware store in St. Catharines.

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Cars being ticketed for illegal parking

Tickets will continue to be issued to those parked illegally around the school premises, Jack Spittle, director of plant and property, said.

Parking tickets have always been given to those parked in handicapped zones, and in front of buildings and doorways, but last Wednesday marked the first day that action has been taken to those parked in no parking zones, such as behind the Simcoe building, and in other no parking areas.

Students were given warning tickets at the beginning of the week that informed them that they were parking in no parking zone areas and will be ticketed for doing so.

But the warnings went unheeded and more than 100 students were ticketed last Wednesday.

In ticketing students, the college's primary purpose is not to collect money for the city of Welland, but the safety of personnel and vehicles is the school's first priority, Mr. Spittle said.

A close monitor has been kept on the parking problem at the college since the beginning of the school year. It was recorded Wednesday that 175 vacant spots were available in parking lots, A, B, C, and D. These spots have been available to accommodate the number of cars illegally parked for the past weeks.

Parking will always be a problem because someone will always "try to beat the system", Mr. Spittle said.

"I cannot understand why young people object to walk anywhere on the campus," he said.

There are no cut and dried solutions for the parking problem. The college may be forced to go to a pay parking system, but a rigid regulated parking area will still have problems.

"Parking is a privilege and people should abide by the rules of that system," Mr. Spittle said.

Remembrance Day marked students do radio show

Niagara College's third year radio and television students were to hold a special Remembrance Day show last Friday, Nov. 11. The show was produced by Cheryl Brenneman with Dan Reeve and Matthew Hopcraft as hosts.

Plans included: a two-minute silence at 11 a.m., followed by music, recitals, and interviews with special guests. The production was to be broadcast on Niagara's television station and piped through the public address system.

Three interview themes were planned: A Look at Our Past with Pam Fielding from the St. Catharines Historical Museum; War and Peace/Should We Fight for Our Country? with Gary Green, of the Royal Canadian Artillery; and the Effects of Nuclear War with Professor Bob Hoover of Brock University's environmental studies division.

Union won't give up, wants Stevenson's ear

The president's office is still under union siege though the Board of Governors officially considers the issue of faculty nonconfidence in management closed.

The union is waiting to hear personally from Ontario Education Minister Bette Stevenson, said Barry Sharpe, union spokesman.

The union is also "anxiously awaiting" the outcome of a one-question poll asking faculty members "whether they share the board's views and have full confidence in Jacqueline Robarts, Niagara College president, and Dr. Nora McCardell, director of educational and student services."

Miss Robarts declined to comment on the issue.

The faculty union submitted a brief to the Board of Governors in August.

Mr. Sharpe showed the Niagara News letters from the Board of Governors endorsing the administration; from the Council of Regents supporting the board; and from the minister of education offices supporting the Council of Regents.

Pressure leads four to resign

Four faculty members appointed to a committee to evaluate faculty have all resigned before the committee even got off the ground.

Dr. Anthony Knowles, chairman of technology and faculty evaluation committee leader, was unavailable for comment at press time.

The committee, initiated Sept. 7 to go into effect in 1984, was to consist of four deans, four chairmen, four faculty members and Glenn Pevere, director of personnel.

Jacqueline Robarts, Niagara College president, said she understood the instructors resigned "because of peer pressure. They felt they could not continue to serve on the committee and still do their regular jobs."

A memorandum from Dr. Knowles' office said faculty members were "asked to serve on this committee by management, who recognize that...it is essential that teaching staff have an opportunity to provide relevant and constructive input."

Miss Robarts said she hoped the deans and chairmen would still meet with faculty in school. "Management feels badly that there are not faculty on the committee," she said, adding she is still "hopeful there can be meaningful input" from the faculty.

Layton will read on Nov. 23

Canadian poet Irving Layton is coming to Niagara College Nov. 23 for what may be his final reading at the college.

Mr. Layton, 1959 winner of the governor general's award and 1982 Nobel Prize nominee, will be in S211 at 1.05 p.m.

He is moving from the Niagara region to Montreal later this month.

The Blue Knight, Niagara College's annual Shell Fuelathon entry, will soon become just a memory. Nick Ciolfi, Fuelathon adviser, has cancelled college participation in the event due to a lack of funding.

(Photo by Judy McEwen)

Niagara College entry runs out of funding

Niagara College has cancelled its annual entry in the Shell Fuelathon race because lack of funding for the team "has made it embarrassing to continue participating," Nick Ciolfi, college instructor and Fuelathon adviser, said.

In years past, the college team has "scrounged" parts and materials for its entry, The Blue Knight, "but now technology has advanced so much that it (participation) is way beyond our means," Mr. Ciolfi said.

Shell Canada Limited sponsors the annual race in which the entry getting the most miles per gallon of fuel is the winner.

Though Fuelathon planning usually begins at the start of each school year, Mr. Ciolfi said it would not be too late for the college to participate if funding were forthcoming.

"We could still put in a concentrated effort" he said, adding that he "doesn't see much hope" of college administration coming up with the funding.

The team would require "at least $1,800 the first year and $500 annually, or we would just be wasting our time," he said.

MEMORIES OF YESTERYEAR

Mr. Ciolfi was interviewed in a dimly-lit workshop littered with parts, tools and Fuelathon memorabilia. A stark aluminum frame and some roughed-in blackboard plans were all that remained of the now-defunct 1984 entry.

In the Spring 1983 Fuelathon, The Blue Knight finished 14th among 19 entrants from colleges and universities across Canada.

The winner was rated at 1,456.0 miles per gallon, while The Blue Knight mustered 293.4 miles per gallon.

Mr. Ciolfi said a "respectable" showing would be "in the area of 600 to 800 miles per gallon."

"But without funding, we are unable to build a respectable competitor and it's just too discouraging."

"I don't know where the other schools are getting the money."

Mr. Ciolfi said he is sorry to see the college's participation end because students in mechanical engineering technology will be losing a valuable learning experience.

Promotional benefits to the college in general will also be lost, he said.

"We were the only Niagara College entrant in the Rose Festival parade each year, and The Blue Knight always seemed to generate a lot of interest."

Mr. Ciolfi said Niagara College originally planned to have two 1983 entries, but the second entry was scrapped after two members of its team withdrew because of academic problems and everyone co-operated on the one entry.

Some had doubts

It's back to books for GM workers

By PAULINE KING
Staff Writer

Having been out of school for 30 years, 45-year-old Larry Bosco felt "very strange at first" returning.

Mr. Bosco was one of a group of General Motors' (GM) workers who were selected to become supervisors and attend a five-week Management Supervisory Program at Niagara College.

"They are selected to become supervisors because of their basic management abilities," Ed Zanetti, program co-ordinator, said.

The GM workers go through a very "stringent" assessment centre where they must meet minimum criteria to be selected as supervisors, Mr. Zanetti said. It is then up to the individual to decide whether or not to become a supervisor and return to school.

Mr. Bosco who has worked at GM's foundry plant for 21 years has been approached three times.

"I had some doubts about my lack of education," said Mr. Bosco who has had six years of formal education and three years succeeding them. "I talked to certain people and in light of my age, took a crack at it."

Need Identified

The program was generated by industry nine years ago and developed by the school of business because they "identified a need," Mr. Zanetti said. The program has put through 550 supervisors in eight years. Its purpose is to improve the performances of the GM workers selected.

"The way the course is designed, it lets you see your strong and weak points," 23-year-old Geoff Graham said. Mr. Graham who has his bachelor of arts degree in economics from Trent University was hired 5½ months ago by GM as a temporary supervisior at their engine plant.

The program is a 12-week training course. Five weeks are on campus from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Mondays through Fridays. The rest of the time is spent in in-house training. They go from department to department within the plant. Classes include: supervisory skills (24 sessions), effective communication (16 sessions), employee training and counselling (8 sessions), industrial relations legislation (12 sessions), metrication (8 sessions), issues in economics and politics (12 sessions), and personalized recreation (12 sessions).

Ted Paolly, who has worked for GM for 20 years said, "Metrication was hard to adjust to. I didn't realize how relatively easy it was. Now I have a grasp of it."

Several forms of study are used, including the case study method, role playing, discussions sessions and lectures. The case study method consists of actual problems that have occurred in industrial operations.

When they are not in class, the GM students can usually be found in either the weight room or the gym. They play volleyball, badminton, perform calisthenics and lift weights.

"It is proven in this course that recreation is definitely needed everyday," Mr. Graham said. Otherwise, "in a classroom, the attention span is gone."

It is never a good morning for Niagara College's Niagara Falls commuters when the Allanburg Bridge rises. Students are often late for their first classes of the day when subjected to 10 to 15-minute wait. (Photo by Carol Alaimo)

Students late, mad; bridge is up again

By CAROL ALAIMO
Staff Writer

It's a jaunty drive along Highway 20 each morning from Niagara Falls to Welland as the sun starts to warm the frost-covered fields.

The radio announcer offers a cheery "Good morning!", and another day of classes will soon begin at Niagara College.

All of a sudden, the hustle and bustle of commuter travel grinds to a halt as drivers mutter enough expletives to steam up the car windshields.

The Allanburg Bridge has gone up again, and commuters will be late for their first classes of the day.

Ed Smith, structural control officer for the St. Lawrence Seaway Authority, said while he is sympathetic to the delays experienced by students and other commuters, there is nothing that can be done to schedule ship traffic with regard to commuter rush hours.

"We schedule the bridges to rise when the vessels are at a certain point in the canal without regard to traffic," Mr. Smith said.

"Our aim is to have as little delay to vessels as possible in order to get maximum productivity from canal operation."

WHY A WAIT?

Harried commuters often wonder why there is a wait of 10 to 15 minutes for a ship that takes only one or two minutes to travel under the bridge area.

"We have to raise the bridge in plenty of time to allow for the speed and size of the vessels," Mr. Smith said.

In 1974, the old Port Robinson Bridge 12 was hit and destroyed by a vessel when the bridge failed to begin rising in time.

The entire structure toppled into the water and divers had to be sent down to rescue the bridge control operator, who was trapped underwater inside the control tower, Mr. Smith said.

SPECIAL NUMBER

A St. Lawrence Seaway telephone operator confirmed that by calling 735-4052, the public can have access to tape recorded information on the position of canal vessels. The tape recording is updated every 1½ hours.

By calling at 6.55 a.m., students would "probably be able to catch the bridge down at eight if there is nothing beyond Lock Seven upbound, or nothing below Mile 14," the operator said.

Remedial spelling at Niagara

For students with problems in spelling, a class in remedial spelling is offered by John Muggeridge, English instructor.

The course is basic, focusing on 10 rules of English spelling. Although such areas as the "ie" rule, final silent "e" and forming plurals might seem to be basic knowledge learned at an earlier stage of education, they are areas of true difficulty and frustration for many.

Some people blame changes in the educational system for the lack of spelling knowledge, but Mr. Muggeridge said, "I don't think you can blame any one thing. It's just the way society seems to be moving. People are as smart as ever they were;they just don't think it's important to learn good English."

Anyone can learn English spelling without rules, just by remembering words themselves but there are some rules that help, he said.

One "demon word",a word commonly misspelled—dictated to students is "Port Colborne". Mr. Muggeridge said that one year he had a student wearing a shirt with the word on it during a dictation. That student misspelt the word.

The course is basically a voluntary-compulsory situation, Mr. Muggeridge said. Students are welcome to attend and some students are encouraged to take the course by their instructors.

Computerized power makes plants flower

If the word "horticulture" conjures up images of pretty flowers, people in overalls with watering cans and wheelbarrows and lots of messy work, then think again.

The days of putting a seed in the ground and letting it grow by itself are gone, Tom Ball, instructor in greenhouse management and practical horticulture, said. "Now the plants are ready according to the growing techniques that are used."

The growing requirements are governed by computer technology. All the large greenhouses in Canada have computers with sensing units to control temperature, water, and light for plants, Mr. Ball said.

Niagara College has no computers at the horticulture centre but there is a possibility it may buy one in the future to be used as a teaching aid.

WANTS ONE

"Ideally I would like to see a set-up here with one or two areas in the greenhouse that are computer-controlled," Mr. Ball said. "At the very least I would like to see the students gain some degree of expertise in computer handling."

If a unit in the greenhouse senses that a plant needs water, it sends a message to the computer which activates a device to flood the plant. This eliminates the need for a person to do the task.

"The computer is also used to monitor the environment in the greenhouse," Mr. Ball said. A weather station outside sends signals to the computer which in turn regulates the relative humidity, temperature, nutrients in the water and turns on the fans or lights in the greenhouse.

TOOL OF GROWER

"The computer becomes the tool of the grower," Mr. Ball said. It frees him to do other things such as concentrating on sales, further monitoring of crops or experimenting with new innovations.

Automation in greenhouses is another technological leap ahead. Conveyor belts moving plants around the greenhouse as well as automated methods of packaging and fertilizing are increasing efficiency, Mr. Ball said. "Before, there was a lot of wasted time with a person walking from one end of the greenhouse to the other to do the watering. Now, a conveyor belt does all this. It is like an assembly line in a factory."

Cost of a greenhouse computer is high, Mr. Ball said. It can save the grower money in other areas though. "A computer saves money by shutting off lights or a heating system that a person might forget about."

While computer technology assists in precision growing and producing a better quality plant, Mr. Ball said the computer now is like the wheelbarrow long ago. "It makes the work easier but it won't grow the crop."

It is necessary for students to be aware and comfortable with computers, the greenhouse instructor said. "If a student gets a job with a company, he should know how to use a computer."

NIAGARA COLLEGE
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CHANNEL 10, 12

CABLE TELEVISION PRESENTS:

Thursday, Nov. 17 7:00 p.m.	It's Your Money -Rights of a tenant and how to fight back.
7:30 p.m.	Classical European Cuisine
Sunday, Nov. 20 9:30 a.m.	International College Hockey Niagara College vs. Buffalo State University
Thursday, Nov. 24 7:00 p.m.	International College Hockey Niagara College vs. Buffalo State University
Sunday, Nov. 27 9:30 a.m.	International College Hockey Niagara College vs. Erie Community College
Thursday, Dec. 1 7:00 p.m.	International College Hockey Niagara College vs. Erie Community College

CPR could retain life in victim if received within 4-6 minutes

By CINDY MANN
Staff Writer

Every minute of every day someone dies of a heart attack. An average of four people each day die of heart attacks in the Niagara Peninsula. Two-thirds of these victims die before reaching the hospital.Cardiac arrest victims must receive attention within the first four to six minutes, before brain death occurs.

In Seattle, Washington, where 60 per cent of the population is trained in cardiopulmonary resuscitation (CPR) and paramedics respond to emergencies, 43 per cent of all clinically dead heart patients survive. In the Niagara Region, where only three per cent are trained in CPR and there are no paramedics, only one per cent of the clinically dead heart patients are saved.

Frank Adamson, co-ordinator of Niagara's Ambulance and Emergency Care Program, is trying to remedy this situation. In conjunction with Heart-Save-Niagara, Mr. Adamson is attempting to educate Niagara residents in the use of CPR. Heart-Save-Niagara is a non-profit community organization with volunteers from the following agencies: Niagara College, Heart Niagara, the Welland YMCA, St. Catharines Grantham YMCA, and regional ambulance services.

The largest sessions held to date were at Denis Morris High School in St. Catharines. More than 200 students, parents and teachers filled the auditorium and received instruction in CPR and also the procedure used to aid a choking victim.

The number of participants was low compared to projections but Mr. Adamson remains optimistic. "This is just a beginning," he said. "We hope to train 80,000 people in this area over the next four years."

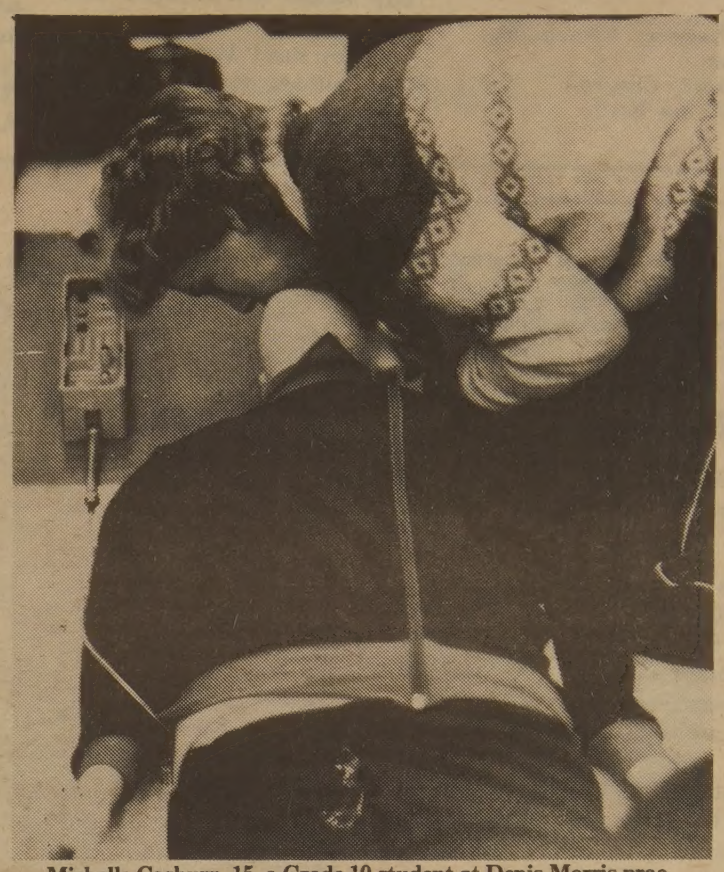
In Ontario there are 200,000 people now trained in CPR.

The money raised at Denis Morris was funnelled back into the Heart-Save-Niagara Program to be used on promotion within the community.

According to Mr. Adamson, warning signals of a person entering cardiac arrest are: pressure or pain in the chest which remains constant, shortness of breath, pallor and sweating, and possibly nausea or vomiting. "Expect denial," Mr. Adamson said. "Most people won't admit there is anything seriously wrong and will pass it off as indigestion."

An individual trained in CPR will take charge of the situation, call an ambulance rather than a doctor first and start the procedure to revive the victim's heartbeat. CPR involves artificial circulation by chest compression and artificial ventilation by mouth-to-mouth breathing.

Mr. Adamson pointed out that in Niagara Falls, where a greater percentage of the population has been trained in CPR, nine of 94 heart attack victims lived. In St. Catharines last year, none survived.



Michelle Cosburn, 15, a Grade 10 student at Denis Morris practises CPR on "Resusci-Annie," the mannequin.
(Photo by Cindy Mann)

"In order for this system to work effectively there should also be paramedics in the Niagara Peninsula and a 911 telephone number for people to use in emergencies," Mr. Adamson added.

A person would simply dial 911 and be put in touch with a central switchboard that would transfer the call to the appropriate agency - police, fire or ambulance. Regional Niagara, at the request of Welland, is once again looking into obtaining 911 and has formed a committee to study it. The Regional Niagara Pre-Hospital Emergency Care Committee includes representatives from the police department, three fire departments, the ambulance services, the District Health Council and Niagara College.

"The costs would be substantial," Mr. Adamson said. "Approximately 1.2 to 1 1/2 million would be needed to set up the system."

Pressure for 911 is great, though, as Health Minister Larry Grossman is denying communities a paramedic program until the system is established. Welland was one of eight municipalities that studied the 911 system in 1978 but rejected it because of cost. "Once the paramedic program was propsed, the push for 911 was on again," Mr. Adamson said.

The system will take two years to implement and during that time Heart-Save-Niagara will be promoting CPR throughout the Niagara Region. The organization is also giving a 12-hour comprehensive course to fire-fighters and Niagara Regional Police.

Mr. Adamson is hoping to provide CPR instruction for Niagara College students. Over the summer months 16 per cent of the college staff learned the procedure.

Lose weight, feel great go to noon fitness date

By LINDA MACLEOD
Staff Writer

Do you feel lumpy and bumpy? Are the rolls on your stomach beginning to multiply as time goes by? If so, become involved with the college fitness program every lunch hour on Thursday.

Morris Bosey, a college counsellor, will speak on Relaxation next Thursday at 12:10 p.m. and Misette Critelli will speak on an exercise program on Nov. 24. These noon hour sessions are open to students and staff and will take place in the Lundy building, room 1.

Misette Critelli, of the female physical education program, will conduct an exercise class every Thursday during the lunch hour when the preliminary seminars are finished at the end of November. Programs will be tailored to the individual's interest, whether it would be aerobic dancing, weight lifting, or just exercising.

Peter Rylander, from the athletic department, spoke on general fitness to the organization meeting Nov. 3.

BACK AT 30

"A person's fitness goes down hill after 15 years old. People come back to fitness at the 30-year age stage when they begin to notice they are out of shape," Mr. Rylander said.

The best way to lose weight is by dieting and exercising, Mr. Rylander said. "People should be doing both methods to make it effective."

People can do simple things to wear off calories, Mr. Rylander said, "like straight ordinary walking."

Students can use the gym, fitness room, and tennis courts at the college. The gym is open to students during the day and a time schedule is posted. Students can show their student card at the Welland YMCA for the free use of the pool.

Mr. Rylander said he would be happy to help students start their own fitness program.

For further information, contact the college Health Centre in room 20 in the Lundy building or call extension 635 for information on the fitness program.

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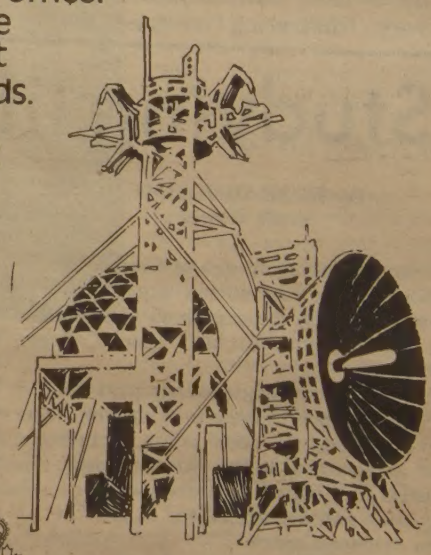

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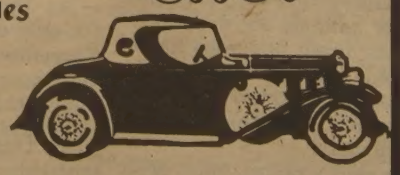

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EDITORIALS

Take that, Pierre!

To meet or not to meet. That is the question. When two reporters from the Niagara News covered a school trip to Ottawa, they met Prime Minister Pierre Trudeau—or did they?

Mr. Trudeau displayed arrogance and haughtiness toward the two novice reporters. It was impossible for them to ask the prime minister questions or take his picture, because Mr. Trudeau would not give them a second look. However, he did shake hands with and talk to most of the other students in the group.

This was an appalling way for the leader of our country to treat Canadians. Even the famous Trudeau salute would have been more acceptable. Mr. Trudeau's behaviour shows Canadians the extent of his arrogance, even if it is only to the press. Even so, journalists are Canadian, too.

However, a small amount of credit is due. Mr. Trudeau was busy, but still managed to take time out of his hectic schedule to meet students from Niagara College—at least most of them. For this, he should be commended. (See how fair we are?)

All students were anxiously awaiting the arrival of the esteemed prime minister. After his rude behavior, the two reporters asked themselves "Why?"

To Prime Minister Pierre Elliot Trudeau, journalists say,"Oh, fuddle-duddle!"

Tracey Chagnon

Get your rears in gear

What would this world be like if no one got involved? If no one gave a damn to participate? Everything taken for granted such as dances, social functions, lectures and fund-raising campaigns would not exist today. It would be a cold, boring and lonely life to live.

But then the students at Niagara College can relate to this atmosphere with this one exception, there are events. Unfortunately, the only way events can be a success is to have student involvement.

Participation is a foreign word to many who are just content to sit back and bitch about college life. Nothing to do, nowhere to go, are words spoken very often. It is the students' right to complain but at least they could show respect by participating first.

The Student Administrative Council (SAC) can be commended for its effort to try to raise student interest. It must be very frustrating to take the time to organize and promote events when the majority of students don't even appreciate it.

However, there is a lack of communication between the student body and SAC. The school year is in its 11th week and a general meeting with course representatives has not been held.

There are school events for everyone at the college. For sports fans, Niagara Knights hockey and basketball teams would be more than happy to see some students cheering them on. There are speakers and movies at the college during double lunches for students who have more educational desires. The list of events is endless.

There are 21 clubs in this school which are open to the student body.

So, for the students who say there is nothing to do → look around and get involved.

Sue Kmita

On the road again

This quiet laneway provides a perfect location for an early morning walk or jog. The road which winds its way along Stop Five creek near Beaverdams is restricted to traffic — just watch out for the hunters. (Photo by Russ Duhaime)

And away they go

A three-day "retreat" for the faculty, an experiment by the English division last year, was so successful that the professional development committee has decided to expand the project to include academic studies, communication and creative arts and human services.

"This gives the faculty a chance to get away, to go to a retreat where they can concentrate on new educational ideas and come back refreshed," John Giancarlo, executive dean of the college and dean of applied arts, said.

The excursion to be held on Feb. 27, 28, and 29 will take them to their base, The Nordic Inn, one mile north of Dorset.

Studying life on other planets: Science journalist says it's possible

By RUSS DUHAIME
Staff Writer

Terence Dickinson, one of Canada's leading science journalists, supported the theory of life on other planets in a lecture and slide presentation at Niagara College on Oct. 20.

Mr. Dickinson, who teaches part-time at St. Lawrence College in Kingston, has held numerous scientific posts, including staff astronomer at the Strasenburgh planetarium, editor of Astronomy magazine and science editor at the Ontario Science Centre.

MORE SCIENCE

Mr. Dickinson said the study of extraterrestrials is "an attempt to put science into a subject that has been dealt with, especially in movies, in a frivolous way."

The presentation began with slides of extraterrestrials from various movies. From the slides it became apparent that people think of extraterrestrials as being humanoid in stature. Mr. Dickinson agreed that extraterrestrials probably do take a humanoid form.

Mr. Dickinson said the dominant animals on a land base planet will probably evolve into humanoids. "The humanoid form is the one they end up with because it works the best."

He said if dinosaurs had not been wiped out they would probably have evolved into humanoids. He said they were the dominant animals on earth at the time. The evolution process would have been much quicker than with mammals.

OTHERS COULD EVOLVE

If dinosaurs could evolve into humanoid form, so could other other species, Mr. Dickinson said. A close look at E.T., the movie character, shows what a turtle might look like if it evolved into a humanoid.

Mr. Dickinson was involved as a consultant on how to present alien life and the current state of unidentified flying objects (UFOs) research for the movie Close Encounters of the Third Kind. The extraterrestrials in this film are slighter in build than humans with larger heads to accommodate larger brains.

Mr. Dickinson said the dominant animal on a water planet would evolve into an animal that resembles a fish. He said dolphins are what might be found on a water planet. They are intelligent animals with brains 1½ times the size of humans.

NO TECHNOLOGY

He said the reason no one has ever had an intelligent conversation with a dolphin is because "water animals are without technology." Their brain functions have evolved in a totally different way than humans. Therefore, if extraterrestrials exist in a water environment, they cannot travel to other planets.

Mr. Dickinson said a planet must orbit a star at a certain distance away from it to support life. If the planet is too close the climate will be too hot. Venus, which is only four per cent closer to the sun than earth, reaches temperatures of 800 F. He said a planet too far from the sun, such as Mars, will be freezing.

MOON TOO SMALL

He said the size of the planet dictates what type of life will dominate. A smaller planet would have less gravity making it easier for flying creatures. A larger planet would result in having more walking creatures. They would probably have more legs to support the extra weight.

There are more than a billion galaxies, he said. Therefore, it is probable that conditions on earth have been repeated.

Mr. Dickinson said Earth has existed for only one-third as long as its galaxy. Therefore, if there are extraterrestrials they have probably been around much longer than humans and are much more advanced.

Mr. Dickinson has researched UFOs extensively and written research papers on them. "I have found it a dead end. There is nothing that unequivocally says that we have had visits from extraterrestrials."

SPECTRUM

Remembrance Day / Linus Pauling

Present since ancient times, Barbie's come a long way

By ALETHA JONES
Staff Writer

They have been found in burial tombs, among pre-historic belongings, used for magic rites and as talismen, and are eagerly sought by collectors.

Dolls, loved by little girls the world over, have been used since pre-historic times," said Geraldine Young, who enchanted her audience in the Secord Room on Nov. 4 with a slide presentation and a display of several of her antique bisque dolls.

"Primitive people used dolls carved from pieces of wood, as a talisman, or for magic rites," she said. "A rock with the general shape of a human figure was found among the effects of pre-historic man. Dolls have been found in burial tombs, placed there to represent the burial alive of relatives and servants of the deceased.

CALLED BABIES

"The word doll was not used before 1770," Mrs. Young said. "Before then they were called babies or little ladies. No one is too old to collect dolls."

Mrs. Young collects mainly antique bisque or porcelain dolls. "The impulse to cherish is still there."

Inspired by a small collection she inherited, Mrs. Young began her collection in 1976 and now has about 200 dolls, the oldest dating from 1885. She dresses the dolls in the authentic clothes of the period. She researches the style of that period and has a friend who makes the outfits.

Some of her dolls have been found in attics and are so old that the original clothes and hair are falling apart. A few of her dolls have the old clothes and hair underneath the new clothes "in case I have to show that the dolls are authentic." The dolls have markings to show when, where and by whom they were made.

VARIETY IN FACES

Variety characterizes the faces of Hewbach dolls from Germany — one even has a double chin. A Kaiser baby doll shown in an old tin carriage is ugly.

Geraldine Young arranges her Kenny Rogers doll, one of 200 dolls she has collected since she began her collection in 1976. (Photo by Aletha Jones)

In her collection is a Shirley Temple doll, ("I'm not very partial to my Shirley Temple doll,") and an Eaton's Beauty doll from 1929. Eaton's featured a doll every year, always from a different maker in Germany.

From 1830 to 1915 most dolls were made in Germany or France, she said. French dolls are especially rare collectors have found. Jumeau dolls from France are rare and expensive but "I would like to have one and I have been dickering to get one."

Dolls are growing popular as collectors items and are made from every conceivable material such as bone, rock, rag and wood.

A Kate Greenaway doll, created by Royal Doulton, is among her favorites. Another favorite is a Kenny Rogers doll which does resemble the singer. Dressed in clothes representing the star part in his movie, "The Gambler," even to a pearl stick pin in his black cravat. "I just love him," Mrs. Young said fondly.

The largest doll in her collection is 36 inches tall. It was owned by a woman who was never allowed to play with her, but was allowed to have tea with the doll every Sunday afternoon. The woman is 83 and is in a nursing home. Mrs. Young takes the doll to visit her every year.

Lest we forget...

By SUE GRECO
Staff Writer

A mournful silence can be heard across the country. Those who remember stop what they are doing and for one minute remain in a state of silence.

Although sounds of guns and tanks of both World Wars and the Korean War have long since been silenced, people of all ages hush to remember those who fought for freedom.

Remembrance Day is a day given in memory of the soldiers who died fighting for the people of this country.

The symbol is the red poppy of Flanders Fields. Replicas are made by disabled war veterans and distributed by means of a tag day organized by the Canadian Legion.

On Nov. 11, 1918, a small group of men signed a document. As a result of their signatures, the surviving soldiers returned home and into the arms of their loved ones. The war was over. But, many families suffered the loss of a son, a brother, a father, or an uncle and would never again be able to hold these men in their arms. These soldiers gave their lives for their families, friends, and for something they truly believed in freedom.

In the First World War, the national effort and the national sacrifice had been enormous. Officers and men serving in the Canadian Expeditionary Force totalled 619,636; of these, 424,589 went overseas; and 60,661 gave their lives.

In the Second World War, more than one million Canadians in all three armed services wore uniform. Fatal casualties totalled 41,992.

People will never forget the men who did not forget about them. They are remembered through memorials scattered across the country. But most of all, they are remembered on one day, a special day — Remembrance Day.

In Flanders Fields

In Flanders fields the poppies blow
Between the crosses, row on row,
That mark our place; and in the sky
The larks, still bravely singing, fly
Scarce heard amid the guns below.

We are the Dead. Short days ago
We lived, felt dawn, saw sunset glow,
Loved and were loved, and now we lie,
In Flanders fields.

Take up our quarrel with the foe:
To you from failing hands we throw
The torch; be yours to hold it high.
If ye break faith with us who die
We shall not sleep, though poppies grow
In Flanders fields.

John McCrae

Magazines

Welland Vale's student senate is prepared to subsidize costs of magazine subscriptions when the library at the St. Catharines campus ceases to do so in December, Steve Beardwood, senate president, said.

"The learning resource centre says magazine subscriptions are too expensive and they want it to be a strictly technical library," Steve said.

The student senate will use money from its trust fund to buy subscriptions but "we expect the college to pay for some of the costs as well," he said.

The library will discontinue magazines such as Rolling Stone, the National Geographic and Field and Stream. "Many people like to read these magazines during their lunch hour," Steve said.

Nobel Prize winner

Pauling paints picture of destruction

By ALETHA JONES
Staff Writer

Ours will be a dead world, devoid of all life, shrouded with thick ash and smoke, lit only by the flickering fires of its burning forests, after the rampage of nuclear war.

This was the picture painted by Dr. Linus Pauling, only living recipient of two Nobel Prizes, to a full auditorium at Centennial High School on Oct.28. "There is no assurance human life would survive," he said. "After the smoke and ash cleared away, with the ozone layer destroyed, any survivors will be burnt by the merciless sun."

Total disruption

Speaking on Global Prospects and Dangers: A Scientists Perspective, Dr. Pauling said, "there will be total disruption of life on earth. Forests will burn and concrete will be vaporized. Smoke and ash will cover the world for a year or more, preventing sunlight from reaching the earth. Plant, animal and human life will die."

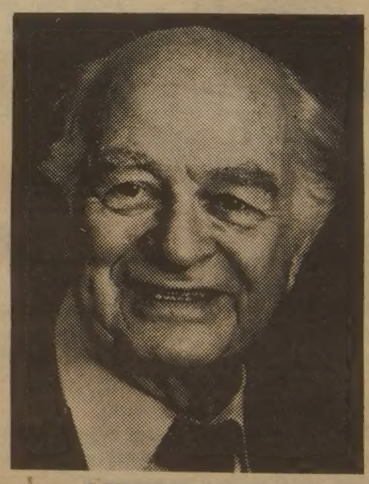
Dr. Pauling's concern for social justice, peace and rational sanity led him to speak out against the world's headlong rush towards extinction in his book No More War.

He urged the audience to "refuse to vote for leaders who support the arms race. Take what ever action you prefer to prevent war.

"The world is in a more dangerous situation than it was 20 years ago during the Cuban crisis," he said. "We are following a course that will lead to disaster because we have been misled by this government. The 'overwhelming superiority of Soviet nuclear power' has become a catchphrase to force an arms race on the Soviet Union to bankrupt them and leave Marxism and Leninism on the ash heap of history."

Presenting the perils of stockpiling weapons, he said 50,000 warheads are stockpiled, 30,000 in the United States and 20,000 in the Soviet Union — "150 times more than enough to kill all the people on earth. That's what they mean by overkill." He mentioned a system where two or three small — 60 megaton size — rockets, can be attached to a larger rocket. "Instead of overkill we can destroy more than 30 targets. War can be fought in a day, an afternoon, a night. "War has become unthinkable."

This is why scientists must talk to their fellow man to make sure they know what such a bomb means. Asked why scientists developed the bomb, he said scientific discoveries cannot help being made, but scientists should refuse to allow such discoveries to be misused.



LINUS PAULING

Dr. Pauling criticized President Regan for his "exploitation of smaller countries," by invading Grenada. "I wonder if President Regan has any idea of what a sovereign nation is?" Of the president's attitude on peace talks, he said, "I believe the Soviets are willing to negotiate. For more than 10 years they have been saying they are willing to cut down their range of missiles to what the U.S. does."

"The systems are becoming more complicated," he said. Superbombs 1,000 times more powerful than the first bomb – up to 600 megatons — are being made. "There is more chance of accidents happening."

World peace

He hoped Canada could start the rest of the world in a crusade for world peace and morality. "Great nations must co-operate in trying to find a solution. No disagreement can justify war.

"I like this world and I don't like to think of anything happening to it. Let us build a world where we can live the good life."

Dr. Pauling received four standing ovations.

Costumes and props were displayed as part of the Open House at the Theatre Centre on Nov. 5. A costume major in an 1800s dress poses beside a military costume, right, while colorful 1800s tabletop models sit on display at left.
(Photo by Theresa Gretzinger)

Theatre Centre Open House celebrates 15th anniversary

By THERESA GRETZINGER
Staff Writer

It has been 15 years since the Niagara College Theatre Centre first opened.

To celebrate the event, the Theatre Centre held an Open House from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., Nov. 5, with a special dramatic movement workshop and a dinner later that evening at the main campus cafeteria.

The Open House consisted of a large display of photographs showing costumes, sets, and production stages of past plays. The set from Mass Appeal was displayed on stage and one room was set aside for photo albums full of memories of productions through the years.

DYNAMIC WORKSHOP

The workshop put on by Norah Morgan, a dynamic ex-instructor, consisted of past and present students of the Theatre Centre. As she put them through impromptu skits with music, her energy and enthusiasm were transmitted throughout the class and audience.

To conclude her workshop, Mrs. Morgan insisted the audience participate as a chorus for the Alice Through the Looking Glass poem, The Jabberwocky. Students, using minimal props, created "slithy toves" that truly "did gyre and gimble" and "borogroves" that were "all mimsy". For the character of the "Jubjub bird", students gulped down doughnuts, with each bite making a "jub" and the "Tumtum tree" where the gallant young hero "stood awhile in thought" made thoughtful, melodious "tum tum" noises.

About 100 people attended the dinner given later that evening in honor of Mrs. Morgan. Graduates from '74-'75 to last year's grads attended, Beverley David, secretary to the theatre program, said. So far, contributions to a fund to establish a Norah Morgan Scholarship fund are "just short of $600" with people still sending money in.

At the dinner, Mrs. Morgan was given a retirement gift of a weekend for two at an 1800's rustic inn, in Jackson Point, Ont.

Kozar concert successful

The Niagara College Theatre Centre rocked to jazz with Dan Kozar on Nov. 2.

The audience's enjoyment of the unique jazz compositions of the band was displayed through tapping toes, swaying shoulders and several howls of delight from the audience.

With hints of Hawaiian influence at times, Kozar and the band delighted the audience with the refreshing originality of their own compositions and almost-perfect copies of traditional jazz tunes. The entire band collaborated on some of the songs they performed. Among such songs were "Apartment 17/Cellulite Legs," a dedication to a former girlfriend; "Korobejos", "Vulcan Moons", "401 Rush".

Members of the band are Dan Kozar, synthesizer guitar; Bill Roberts, keyboards; Jeff Butler, bass; and Rick Tarjos, drums. Mike Pelcastro is their manager.

"We have a good time and people should have a good time when they come to see us," Mr. Roberts said.

There were approximately 75 in attendance and they appeared to be having a good time. A free performance open to the public, it lasted approximately 1 3/4 hours.

The free performance was "basically, a promotion," Mr. Roberts said. The band is hoping to put a four-song record together and send it to a producer.

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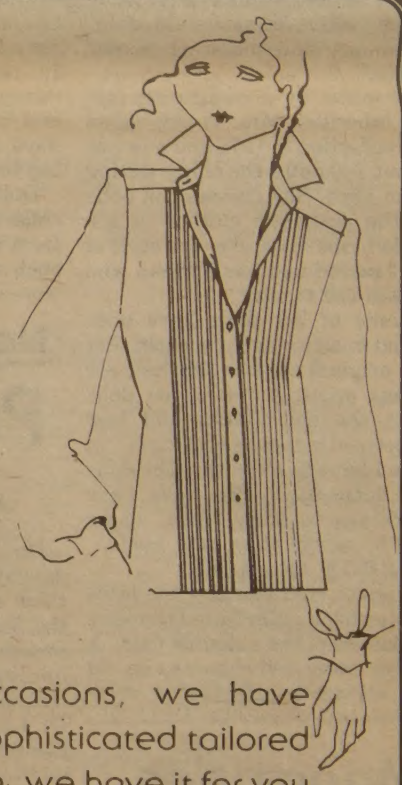

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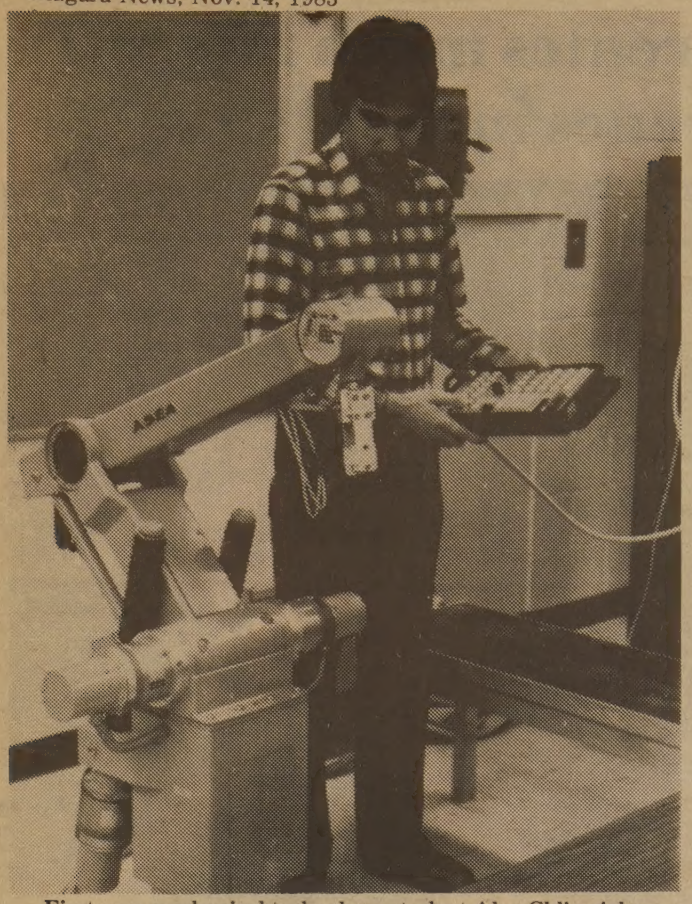


First-year mechanical technology student Alex Chliwniak examines the teach control pendant used to program Hagar, the largest member of Niagara College's new robotics lab family. Hagar can be programmed to replace humans doing boring or hazardous industrial tasks.

(Photo by Carol Alaimo)

Robotics lab set to go

Hagar works for free

By CAROL ALAIMO
Staff Writer

Niagara College's new $171,000 robotics lab will open on schedule in January and the staff of the mechanical technology department is busily picking names for the new arrivals.

The largest of the five new robots was "born" in Sweden and was christened "Hagar" by Al Munro, an instructor in the mechanical and civil division.

A trio of smaller blue robots "will be called either Huey, Louie and Dewey or Curly, Larry and Moe," said Nick Ciolfi, coordinator or mechanical technology.

"We're having a hard time deciding," Mr. Ciolfi said.

He said that naming is a common industrial practice used to make robots "seem more approachable and make workers less apprehensive."

MONEY FROM BILD

Funded by a government grant from the Board of Industrial Leadership and Development (BILD), the new robotics lab has most of its major equipment in place and work is progressing on the installation of compressed air lines.

Background courses in fluid power systems and pneumatics and hydraulics will prepare technology students to meet the robot family, Mr. Ciolfi said.

He said that while the lab "won't make our students experts in robotics applications," it will be helpful as a small-scale introduction to real-life industry.

Industrial robot use is increasing to eliminate boring or hazardous jobs, he said.

Law, security police instructor no Hollywood stereotype

By CHITRA RAMASETHU
Staff Writer

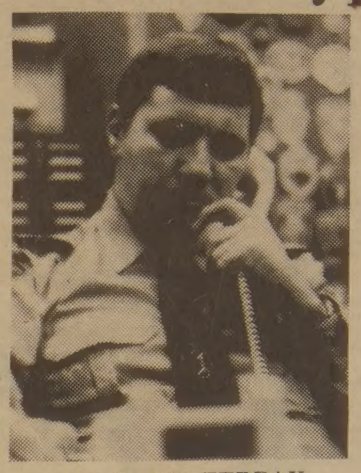
Michael Terpak believes it takes a certain kind of person to be a police officer — one who works incessantly to maintain public peace and to keep the fabric of society intact.

"You're dealing with human beings all the time. When you go in, you don't know what to expect. You have to use your common sense — that, and you have to want to be a policeman," the 34-year-old police officer at Brock University said.

Embarking on his career after taking a law enforcement course at Niagara College in 1967, Mr. Terpak has returned to Niagara after almost 12 years, now as an instructor for law and security students.

Laughing at the stereotypes of high-speed police chases glamorized in films with stunt cars "leaping ditches, crashing through barriers and rolling over twisted masses of metals," he said, "I spend more time doing reports than they do on TV."

Of his first assignment, he said, "I went down the beach in Lindsay checking door-knobs." Then, taking on a more serious look, he said, "Sure, it has been dangerous. But often you don't have time to think about it."



MICHAEL TERPAK

Now a staff sergeant at the Brock police department, he is in the criminal investigations branch. Theft and vandalism are among his concerns.

In 1972, Mr. Terpak joined the Lidsay Police Department where he investigated murders, rapes, suicides and traffic details. "I worked on a very sensitive case, I remember very vividly," he said. "A mother was charged with the murder of her eight-year-old son and the attempted murder of her six-year-old daughter. Later, she tried to commit suicide." The daughter and the mother were revived and the mother was convicted. Both are alive and well today, he said.

He has a "special kind of wife who understands" and family is important to him.

"A good time is going dancing with my wife or going out to dinner with her, going out on picnics with my son."

He enjoys basketball, golf and curling. He was in the Niagara College basketball team for two years.

As a part-time instructor at Niagara College, he teaches Police in the Community in the first term, and Aids to Investigation next semester. "It seems very practical and is going to benefit the kids coming out of here," he said.

A powerful factor which can bring out the best in a police officer is public opinion. "We do public relations by just being at a place. When I was the president of the police association at Lindsay for six years, we sponsored hockey teams and a raffle concert for different organizations."

On the question of allegations of police brutalities, Mr. Terpak countered, "Do you believe everything you hear? My policy is to believe nothing of what you hear and half of what you see."

Apply now for Jan. courses

The admissions office is accepting applications until Nov. 18 for the three-year business administration program, two-year business program and term one of the two-year general college diploma program.

For the business programs, classes begin Jan. 16 with the first program year concluding June 29.

Classes begin Jan. 2 and end April 30 for the general college diploma program.

Majors under the two-year business program include: accounting, computer programmer, and sales and merchandising.

Majors under the three-year business administration program include: data processing management, financial mnage,ent, industrial management, marketing management, and personnel management and industrial relations.

Daring will be baring legs United Way wearing profit

Those of you who dare, come and bare your legs at Niagara College's annual legs contest on Nov. 17 during the double lunch in the Hamilton Room.

Jim Trapnell, vice-president of internal affairs, Student Administrative Council (SAC) said there will be 10 contestants each for the male and female categories. For both categories, there will be a best legs prize and an original legs prize. First place prizes will be $50 and second place prizes will be $25. SAC has put up $300 for the prizes.

The people who don't dare to enter the contest are invited to come watch the show for 50 cents. All proceeds will go to the United Way as part of Niagara College's campaign.

The panel of judges will consist of two members from SAC and three members from the administration. A platform will be set up in the Hamilton Room and music will be played to convey the atmosphere.

Rocki Rolletti returns pub burns with energy

By THERESA GRETZINGER
Staff Writer

Through the flashing lights, fine sense of humor, and bits of pantomime on stage, the emotion shone. As students and guests became caught in the overflow of high energy from the stage their dancing seemed almost to lose control.

They were dancing to the Rocki Rolletti band on Nov.4 in the cafeteria for Pub Night. The Winnipeg-based band played for students and guests for the second pub night in a row and the enthusiasm on the dance floor almost equalled the emotion on stage.

When the band first played on Oct. 26 they fired the audience with their high energy after the first few songs. Their return sparked even greater enthusiasm as students filled the dance floor within the first few chords of the first song.

ONE OF BEST

Always leading with strains of the Hawaii 5O theme song, the band presented one of the best performances by Canadian talent.

The legend and members of the band are, according to the road manager: Rocki Rolletti, singer, on echo guitar, from Italy, learned English from old rock and roll albums; Tony Tone on saxophone, brother of Barry Tone; Freeda People, singer, cousin of Rocki, from Northeast Italy and Sweden; Roxy Rolletti, singer, sister of Rocki; Tom "Tom Tom" Tom Bob, drums, an ex-Jazz player; Ryan Coke, guitar, who was bitten by a radioactive cocaine dealer; Vini Vidi Vicci, bass, 16-year-old discovered when 12 in Squatemala, Guatemala, while leading a minor revolution to gain the right to drink for minors; Chester Fields, keyboards, from Davenport, Iowa, chairman of the board, recently recovered; Major Tom, audio engineer, from a long history of heavy-metal bands; Mama Christie, lights, mother of the band; and Lefty/Brent, road manager, mysterious guidance and tour guide of the band.

BASED ON SATIRE

Brent said the band is basically a band based on satire that enjoys the music industry and their participation and contribution within it.

The major goal of the band is to produce a record. "If we get a record, I'd like to feel the songs on it really touched someone," Rocki said. "I know the power of that feeling," of relating to a song. He said Goof on the Roof is a song about a friend's suicide. "I can really feel it although I try to make light of it."

LIST OF CREDITS

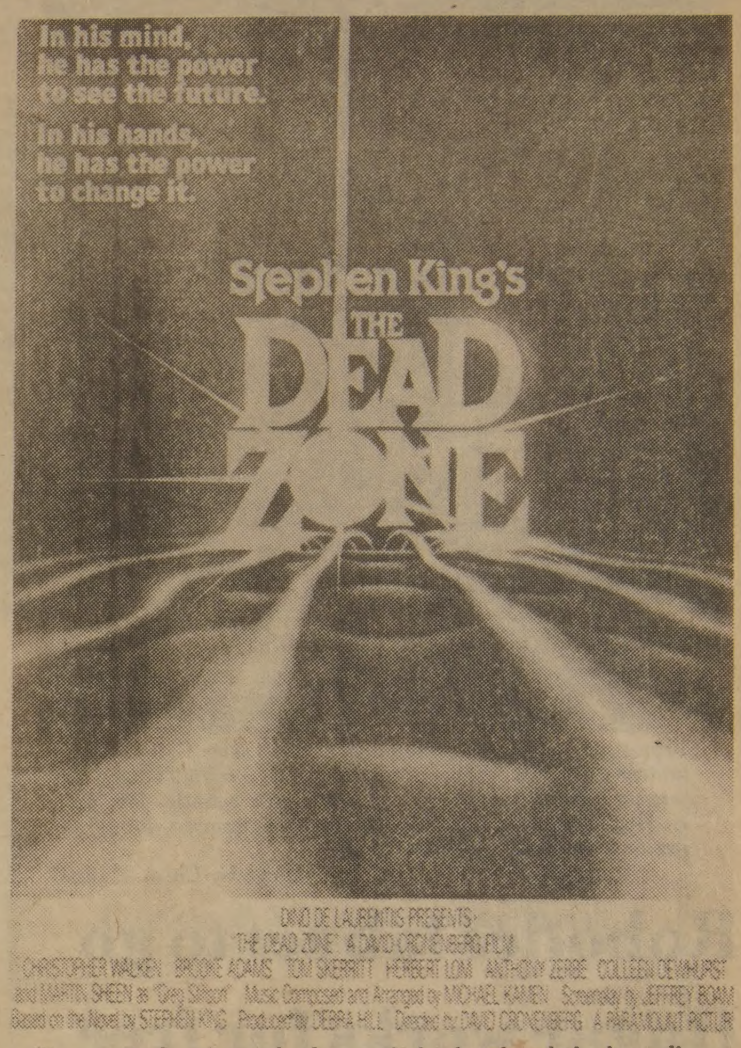
Credits of the band include: a 14-week television show on CBC, the Rocki Rolletti show, which ended in February of this year; 1982 national winners of the CHUM-sponsored Trans-Canada Rock Contest, which led to them releasing two singles, Goof on the Roof and Sex Wars on A&M records with producer Bob Ezrin; local ACTRA award winner as Best Variety Performance on television and national nominee for two years in a row; and three featured performances on CBC's Westrock Hotel.

Rocki Rolletti focused on pop tunes and rock and roll rather than their own songs because the people were there to have a good time and didn't focus their attention on the band, Rocki said. For their first appearance at a pub for the college that appeared to be true and the consideration of the audience was appreciated as all appeared to be having fun.

Their second performance, however, did not go unnoticed. The audience seemed to focus on the band and became wrapped in the blanket of energy that fell over the crowd from the electrifying performance on stage.

Dead Zone creates much interest with many scenes in local zone

By JANE STIRLING
Staff Writer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Based on the Novel by STEPHEN KING Produced by DEBRA HILL Directed by DAVID CRONENBERG A PARAMOUNT PICTURE

It is a typical Saturday night at the movies. The theatre is dark, the person seated next to you spills popcorn in your lap and the couple behind insists on giving a play-by-play account of the action. Nothing unusual here.

Why is it, then, that members of the audience keep pointing at buildings on the screen and giggling?

Suddenly, a sheriff's car appears in the movie and everyone breaks out into laughter. Of course! The car is none other than a disguised blue and white Niagara Regional police cruiser.

In fact, most of the scenes in The Dead Zone were filmed in the Niagara region. Niagara-on-the-Lake and the surrounding area provided a suitable backdrop for the happenings in a small, sleepy New England town.

FAMILIAR FACE?

Audiences in the Niagara peninsula are flocking to see the movie because of the numerous familiar landmarks. Some people are even hoping to see a familiar face or two.

Eileen Muir, fashion arts instructor at Niagara College, plans to see The Dead Zone at least four times. Her husband, Gary, was one of the 300 extras hired for the crowd scenes.

Mr. Muir, an accountant, was on the outdoor set for one day last winter from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. The pay was $4 an hour. He had "a bit of a chat and shook hands with Martin Sheen" Mrs. Muir said.

The Dead Zone deals with a high school teacher in a small town in Maine (Niagara-on-the-Lake) who is forced to deal with his psychic powers. After surviving a five-year coma caused by a car accident, he possesses the ability to reveal a person's past or predict his future by touching him. With this knowledge, he finds he has the frightening ability to change the future.

FAMILIAR HOUSES?

Several large, familiar houses in Niagara-on-the-Lake can be seen in the movie. St. Mark's Church rectory is the home of the main character. The courthouse is the focus of the final scene. The Niagara Institute is transformed into a clinic where the hero recovers from a coma.

There are scenes shot on the main street of Niagara-on-the-Lake with the red brick post office in the background as well as scenes shot along the Niagara Parkway.

Simcoe Park, situated along Lake Ontario, is the scene of a rape-murder in the movie. A gazebo, built specifically for the film, was donated to the town after filming was finished.

An abandoned railway tunnel near St. Davids is another location. The Screaming Tunnel, as it is called by area residents, is the spot where a murder occurred in the movie.

At one point in the Dead Zone, a bus drives past the Prince of Wales hotel and the hero disembarks. As he crosses in front of the bus, the audience sees the destination "Cambridge" written on the front. "Kids in the audience said 'Oh sure!' at this scene," Mrs. Muir said.

The Dead Zone leaves many favorable impressions on Niagara audiences. Glamor, fame and Hollywood status have descended on the region. Now, where did those sunglasses go?

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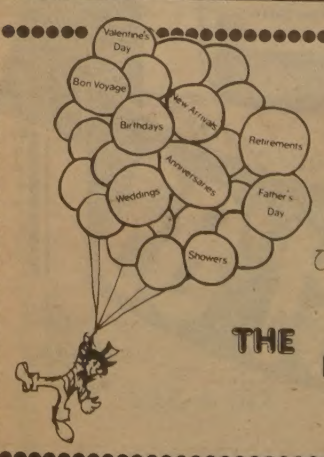

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JILL FOX

Secretary receives award

A technology secretary has won an award for a sensual poem about love, after 12 years of dabbling in poetry.

Jill Fox, 28, a secretary in the school of technology, received a book of poetry by Lina Grol as first prize for her poem, May Flowers.

The poem was selected from 48 poems by 31 writers published in There Is, a new poetry anthology of Niagara artists.

Peter Grucza and Mia Carroll won second and third prizes and H.D. Brochu, Sybil Stulp, Jacqueline Damato, and Robert Shipley received honorable mention.

Mrs. Fox, who has "dabbled in poetry" for 12 years, said she writes "according to emotion" and finds a sense of accomplishment in being published. "It's nice to submit work and hear 'Yes, this is good enough to publish' and it is an accomplishment to be honored by peers and seasoned writers."

"When you can put experience down on paper and let someone read it and hear them say, 'Yes, I've felt that', then that is the reward" of writing poetry.

Her poetry was created for her own interest only, until people told her it was good. "Since then I've had a lot of luck— I've submitted about five at a shot and usually get two or three published."

The first annual Niagara poetry anthology, There Is, was composed by a group originally called Niagara Peninsula Writers. The group has been meeting regularly for two years at the Niagara Artists' Centre on St. Paul Street in St. Catharines, and recently joined the Canadian Authors' Association as an official regional branch.

Tin Drum to play at pub

If you are into the new wave trend and like to dance, be sure to see Tin Drum at the pub on Nov. 25. The four-member band plays songs by David Bowie, the Police and Billy Idol.

Tin Drum won second place in Q107's Homegrown Contest. They have played at Mags Head North in Toronto, The Riverside in Oakville, and at Niagara College's year-end bash.

Tickets are available at the SAC office for $3 and guest tickets are $5. A contribution of $1 from each ticket will go to the United Way.

St. Nick to visit children

The annual children's Christmas party at Welland Vale, sponsored by the student senate, will be held Dec. 11 in the cafeteria, Steve Beardwood, president of the senate, said.

The senate is holding the party during the day for the children of students and staff at the St. Catharines' campus. "It is a goodwill gesture," Steve said.

The party will be held on Sunday afternoon from 1 to 4 p.m.

The deadline for staff and students to give the names of their children to the senate executive is Nov. 17.

Senate members will buy gifts for infants and children up to the age of 14. Santa Claus will make a special appearance to give out the presents, goodies and stockings. A big stuffed animal will be the door prize.

There will be a nominal cost, Steve said. With up to two children attending, the cost will be $1. With extra youngsters, there will be an additional fee of $1.

Last year, more than 100 children attended.

Apprentices offer meals

The apprentice cooks and hotel and restaurant administration students are offering gourmet meals to the public at the Niagara College Rainbow Centre in Niagara Falls.

The meals are prepared by the students and served at $6 per person every Wednesday and Thursday nights.

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This little girl overcame her shyness long enough to pose with Murphy the Molar, Linda Jerome, a dental assistant student. Murphy was one of the star attractions of Dental Health Week. (Photo by Cindy Mann)

Students get freebies for healthier teeth

Students of both the Dental Hygiene and Dental Assistant Program showed the college's facilities and services last week during the third annual Dental Health Week.

All the activities took place in the Tecumseh Centre in front of the library from 12:15 to 1:30 p.m., Monday through Friday.

This year's focus was on the 5-Minute Workout. Demonstrations were given on mouth cleaning techniques and old run-down tooth brushes were traded for new ones, free of charge.

FREE DRAW

Murphy the Molar was on hand again this year with "freebies" for all and an oral irrigator was the prize in a free draw. The lucky winner was the person who correctly guessed the number of dental floss spools. The winner was to be announced last Friday after the Niagara News had gone to print.

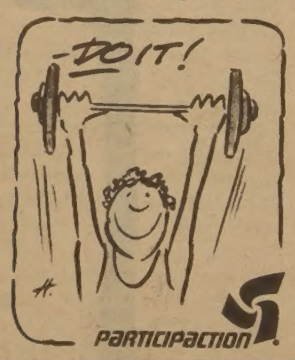
Teledyne Waterpik donated the irrigator and Warner Lambert Inc. provided the Trident sugarless gum.

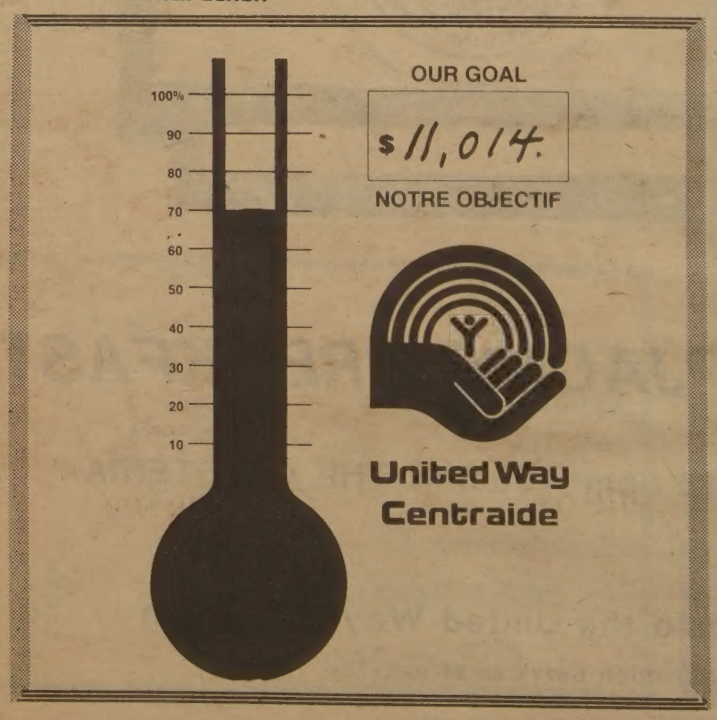
SELLS SEEDS

Sunflower seeds were sold as a nutritious snack and the proceeds used to purchase a book for the library.

Tuesday and Thursday the dental students held activities at Welland Vale. This was the first time Dental Health Week had been expanded to include the St. Catharines' campus.

Sandra Stewart, co-ordinator of the Dental Hygiene program said the week-long activities help highlight the dental clinic and services offered. Mrs. Stewart also reminds those interested that appointments are still being accepted for a free cleaning a scaling. This service is provided for not only students but also adults and children within the community.





Crowded classes for ECE

This is an exceptional year for the Early Childhood Education program with students from every graduating year since 1971 returning this year to do the optional third year, Margaret Hamilton, co-ordinator of the two-year program said.

With numbers hitting a record high of 42 students, Mrs. Hamilton said, "I'm very pleased students are coming back and updating themselves."

To keep pace with the dynamics of change in the quality of infant care, the students are taking Infant Care and Education (optional third year), she said.

NEW REGULATIONS

New regulations to take effect in January, 1984, stated that anyone under 30 working with children would require additional training, and the growing demand for care of children may be the main reasons for the increase in number, she said.

Niagara College developed optional infant care and education in 1971. At present it is in continuing but "we are investigating the possibility of offering it as a day course." Mrs. Hamilton said.

Previously, the highest return was 30 students. To accommodate the additional numbers, they are using the Secord Room, she said.

40 ATTEND

In the Early childhood Education program, students learn to work with children between infancy to five years, with emphasis on ages two to five. At the moment, there are 40 students under the age of three in attendance. The students require 500 hours of practice with children to graduate.

Commenting on the overall picture, Mrs. Hamilton said she did not expect the numbers to snowball, but,"it pleases me that people are not just sitting there. Instead they realize that they'll never know all there is to know about children and are doing something about it."

Generous donation

A Rexdale manufacturer has disproved the old adage that "you never get something for nothing" with an unsolicited $3,000 equipment donation to the Niagara College technology department.

Rumble Equipment in Rexdale called the college to donate three used $1,000 motor speed control units after receiving a college requisition for prices on similar new units, said Emil Knebel, co-ordinator of the electrical technology program.

Co-op education students have a chance to work at Disney World! Lorraine Smith and Phil Holmes, Disney employees, spoke to the students about the Magic Kingdom College program. (Photo by Tracey Chagnon)

Work at Disney World

By TRACEY CHAGNON
Staff Reporter

Walt Disney once said, "You can dream, create, design and build the most wonderful place in the world, but it takes people to make the dream a reality."

Niagara College students were the people Lorraine Smith and Phil Holmes were looking for. The two employees of Walt Disney World, the number 1 tourist attraction in North America, were at the college seeking eight to 10 students to spend a term working at Disney World.

They gave a presentation Oct. 21 on the Magic Kingdom College Program. Started in the summer of 1981 with 44 colleges and universities in the United States, the program has now been expanded to more than 100 schools in the United States, as well as schools in Canada, Lorraine said.

Co-op Education students in tourism, retail management, and hotel and restaurant administration courses attended. The students would work in the Canadian pavilion at EPCOT Centre the newest addition to Disney World.

Two slide presentations helped to convey their message. Students were shown both working and taking part in the many social activities which are offered. Happy, smiling faces graced every photograph, but as Lorraine said, "Our employees must wear that Disney smile all the time."

Phil, who works in the operations division, looks after the attractions, food areas, security and transportation. He also keeps an eye on relations between employees and guests.

Lorraine said she works with three other people in co-ordinating social activities for the students. The favorite one is the Halloween party held every year. It is so popular in fact, that last year they had one in July. Tacky tourist costume parties are included, because as Lorraine said, "working at Disney World, you know what a tacky tourist looks like."

The purpose of the program is to give the student work experience, and a 30-hour work week is scheduled, Lorraine said. However, during peak periods, such as the Christmas season, the student may have to work up to 48 hours per week.

Attending 11 classes per week will keep the student busy. Phil said, "Each class is presented by a different division of our company. Entertainment, finances, security and others are covered in the classes." The students will not be formally tested; however, their work performance will be reviewed by program officials.

The work in the Canadian pavilion is made up of two positions. The first is in a circle-vision theatre, Lorraine said. It is important to have a Canadian student working there, because he must narrate a film about Canada. The other position is in a buffeteria-style restaurant. The student will work as a waitress, bus-boy or short order cook.

The salary for both these positions is $4.30 per hour. Students live at Snow White Village, 15 miles from the Disney property in Kissimee, Fla. It is provided by the program, and consists of many double-wide trailers, each with four bedrooms, a kitchen, and a bathroom. Eight students will share each trailer with two students per room.

Included at Snow White Village is a recreation hall, basketball and volleyball courts, and two swimming pools.

Van transportation is used to get the students to and from work at a cost of about $10 per week; however, Lorraine said the student is encouraged to bring his own vehicle to Florida, the costs being reimbursed when he arrives.

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Greenhouse trade show down to earth

A greenhouse conference at Guelph University featuring a trade show and information seminars was attended by Niagara College's senior horticulture students on Oct. 4.

"Owners of greenhouses and people in the research field gave down-to-earth opinions on growing plants and managing greenhouses," Tom Ball, greenhouse instructor, said. "Many of the seminars were applicable to future jobs for the students."

The trade show, featuring the latest in greenhouse technology, presented students with the opportunity to talk to different suppliers, Mr. Ball said.

At the information seminars, growers talked about individual crops, new plants on the market and different types of fertilizers.

The two-day conference featured growers from all parts of Ontario as well as from other provinces and the United States.

Nature's solitude and silence

It won't be long until the leaves fall from these trees and a crust of ice forms over the lake. This view at Beaverdams in Thorold gives a final glimpse of autumn. It's almost time to put away the sunglasses and bathing suits for another cold winter season.

(Photo by Russ Duhaime)

Used books available to students

Students can enjoy some leisure reading and take a break from the deep academic school books and find themselves in a world of romance, mystery, or drama. The "steal a book" service is again available.

There are two book racks in the first and second floor lounges of the Simcoe building.

Students and staff can simply pick up a book, read it, and return it when they are finished with it.

The service was started 12 to 13 years ago by Jim Ross, a former English instructor now an editor with the Hamilton Spectator.

The service once received a small budget, but in these hard economic times, is no longer budgeted, Gary Webb, English teacher in charge of the project, said.

This year John Giancarlo, dean of applied arts, was driving past a yard sale on Rice Road, Welland, and saw tables of books. The yard sale was unsuccessful in selling the books, so they were given to the college for the "steal a book" use.

Any student wanting to donate used books for the service can leave books at Mr. Webb's office in S 104.

Computer security needed

By changing the physical layout of the computer facilities, access to the Computer Centre has been restricted to ensure safety and security.

All visitors to the Computer Centre are asked to check in with the receptionist who will locate the employee or report required, Louise LeRoux, manager of the Computer Centre, said.

The layout change is in the Computer Centre where the administration computers are kept.

With the increasing amount of confidential information being stored in computers "this procedure has become fairly standard in the computer industry," Miss LeRoux said.

"Reports should not become public until that department wants them published," she said.

One such break-in resulted in a 19-year-old UCLA student being charged with 14 felony counts of maliciously gaining access to a computer system.

USED HOME COMPUTER

Ronald Mark Austin was accused of using a home computer to break into a United States Defence Department communications system linking government and private computers throughout the United States and Europe.

"Using local telephone connections, Mr. Austin gained access not only to local computer accounts but also, through the UCLA system, to the Advanced Research Projects Agency Network" linking computers that store data on research projects for several agencies, including the Defence Department, District Attorney Robert Philibosian told a news conference.

Mr. Austin was charged after access was gained to computers at the Naval Ocean Systems Centre in San Diego; the Naval Research Laboratory in Washington, D.C.; the Norwegian Telecommunication Adminsitration in Norway, and the Rand Corp. in Santa Monica.

"We don't know what he was doing with the data," Mr. Philibosian said.

She is determined

Woman battling her illiteracy

By DON BERNARD
Staff Writer

Something terrible may have happened to a special friend and a sympathy card is called for. It sounds like an easy task. But how can you choose the right card if you are illiterate?

Gaetane Deschamps is what Statistics Canada calls a functional illiterate. That means she is classified as having less than a Grade 9 education.

Mrs. Deschamps admits she quit school one month short of completing her Grade 8. She said she gets frustrated at times when reading or writing a simple note is almost impossible for her.

"Right now my husband writes the grocery lists and answers all correspondence and I feel dependent on him for this," she said.

"Soon that will change," she said with great determination.

Mrs. Deschamps is enrolled in Project Alpha 1, a government-sponsored program to educate French illiterates in the Niagara area.

Alpha 1 was the result of a Summer Canada Project that involved the French Languages Services here at Niagara College.

The project was aimed at identifying French illiterates in the Niagara Region who would be willing to learn the basic reading and writing skills in French.

"When I succeed in this French program, I will consider options to learn English," Mrs. Deschamps said.

When her two children started school, Mrs. Deschamps said, she was very anxious to "follow their schooling." She volunteered to help at the school during reading periods and realized she was helping herself also.

"Although it was easy at first, I now find it difficult because my daughter, Kim, is in Grade 5 and the reading is getting tougher," she said.

She said it was nearly impossible for her to get a driver's licence.

"I had to go four times for my licence because they denied me an oral test," she said. "It took three efforts before the licence bureau believed I was illiterate."

Her tutor, Louanne Levesque, is supportive of Mrs. Deschamp's courageous drive. It is not easy to admit to being illiterate.

"Leave embarrassment behind," is what Mrs. Deschamps said on a television interview with TV Ontario which will air a special feature on illiteracy in Canada.

Although only eight people have enrolled in Alpha 1, Statistics Canada reports there are more than 54,000 illiterates in Niagara Regional Municipality. There are more than four million adult Canadians with less than Grade 9 education.

Statistics Canada defines this as not having the minimal level of educational ability needed to function in a word-oriented information society.

And that is where Mrs. Deschamps is headed for. A place to belong. "When the point comes when I can write a nice personal letter, it will be the happiest moment of my life."

Retired secretary honored at home of co-ordinator

A reception in honor of retired horticulture centre secretary Edna Hartwell was held at the home of Peter Mansfield, program co-ordinator, on Oct. 29.

The guest list included Niagara College teaching, administration and support staff "as well as everyone who knew Edna from way back," Sharon Broderick, horticulture secretary, said.

Jacqueline Robarts, Niagara College president, presented Mrs. Hartwell with a gold watch for her years of dedicated service.

"Everyone was involved in the preparation for the reception," Ms. Broderick said. "We've been planning it ever since she retired."

Mrs. Hartwell retired last June after 15 years at the college. "She knew every student that went through the program," Mr. Mansfield said. "She was their confidante; sort of an Ann Landers to them."

Forty-five people attended the reception and "some travelled a considerable distance to be there," Mr. Mansfield said.

Last year, horticulture students honored Mrs. Hartwell with a surprise dinner party at Brock University's Pond Inlet.

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In Kingston and Ottawa

Basketball team bounces to victory

By MURRAY STEWART
Staff Writer

The Niagara Knights men's basketball team had a winning weekend defeating St. Lawrence 70-56 in Kingston Nov. 4, and then defeating Algonquin College 59-52 in Ottawa the following afternoon.

The victories gave the Knights a 3-0 record for the season.

The Knights' game in Kingston was a very physical game with plenty of body contact. The Knights defeated the St. Lawrence team with good shooting and a strong defence.

The Knights jumped out to a fast start running up an early lead, but they ran into a slow spot allowing the taller St. Lawrence team to come back and tie the closely played first half 29-29.

The Knights started slowly in the second half falling behind, but they quickly rebounded using strong offence and tight defence to dominate the play.

Coach Paul Deeton did not feel they were in too much trouble when they were behind, "but there is always a concern," he said.

STRONG PERFORMANCE

Strong performances from John Mataya and Dave Taylor allowed the Knights to dominate St. Lawrence and keep the big shooters from getting inside the defence, thus forcing them to shoot from the outside.

Play was close until the last 10 minutes when the Knights' momentum built up and allowed them to basket quick points and get a lead. The Knights used a fast and excellent defence.

Playing well under the net, they came up with rebounds and often caught the St. Lawrence players off guard.

Mr. Deeton said the game was a very close, physical game and he was pleased that the Knights had such a strong finish.

AGAINST ALGONQUIN

The Knights played in Ottawa the following afternoon against Algonquin College in a slow but aggressive game.

Algonquin played a strong game, and both teams had numerous chances but were unable to score, due to the tight defence from both teams.

Working well around the net were Mark Ford and Alex Cattrysse, setting up and making plays. Good blocking under the net by John Mataya and Dave Taylor helped the team to get most of the rebounds.

Niagara passed well giving them more opportunities for points than Algonquin, but the score did not reflect the dominant play of the Knights.

Coach Paul Deeton said "the team did not seem to be able to capitalize on the opportunities."

The closely played first half ended with a 27-24 score in Niagara's favor.

HAD EDGE

Most of the game was played under the net, and most of the shooting was from in close. Niagara had the edge throughout the game, but could not relax because the Algonquin team kept coming with fast breaks.

Mr. Deeton said Andre Plouffe and John Mataya came off the bench to play a very strong game. John was especially good with rebounds, he said.

The game was close, within two or four points throughout until the last five minutes when Algonquin took some fouls. Niagara used this chance to get a lead which they held to gain the victory.

Mr. Deeton said the team did not play well and Algonquin played a tough defensive game; "the team was not sharp but they still won, so that shows what potential is there."

Mr. Deeton said both games were won in the last 10 minutes with strong performances coming from the whole team.

"The team is maturing and I was very pleased with the team performance over the weekend," he said. "I hope they will continue to play as well."

The women's basketball team defeated Algonquin College 81-51 in a one-sided game played in Ottawa. Team members are; front row, from left, Donna Czsinski, Dawn Sherar, Paula Cattrysse, Rose DiMarco, Vickie Partington, Mary Anne Goodman (manager); back row, from left, assistant coach Mizette Critelli, Patty Stocco, Cheryl Anderson, Nancy Mather, Janice Hogeveen, Judy Helstab, Gail Graveline, head coach Russ Stevenson. (Photo by Murray Stewart)

Basketball team wins easily

By MURRAY STEWART
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The Niagara Knights women's basketball team defeated Algonquin College 81-51 in a lopsided game in Ottawa Nov. 5.

The victory put the Knights 3-0 on the season to date.

The Knights came to play dominating the first half with good blocking and good passing. Niagara was on the scoreboard first and mounted an 18-8 lead early in the game.

Algonquin made mistakes and had turnovers which Niagara quickly capitalized on. Fast breaks from their own end caught Algonquin players back and resulted in two on one and sometimes two on none plays which helped the team gain such a lead.

Good shooting from the outside and well executed plays gave the Knights easy manoeuvrability around the court. They were able to penetrate the defence of the Algonquin team often and easily.

They worked well under the nets getting open for shots and getting most of the rebounds.

CAME OUT STRONGER

The Knights opened up a 39-27 lead at the half and came out even stronger for the second half dominating the play.

Coach Russ Stevenson said the team played a superb game offensively and defensively and is improving in all phases of the game.

Cheryl Anderson, Rose DiMarco and Dawn Sherar had excellent games with good blocking and setting important plays.

Other outstanding performances came from Judy Helstab, who played an excellent defensive game and also scored 17 points to help the Knights to the impresssive win over Algonquin, and Paula Vincent who played superbly, setting good plays and netting 10 points.

"It was an excellent team effort, and the players are becoming more comfortable with each other; I was pleased," Mr. Stevenson said.

Video switcher donated to Niagara

By Pauline King
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A 13-year-old video switcher that originally cost $1,000,000 has been donated to Niagara College's Radio and Television program by CHCH-TV, Channel 11, Hamilton.

"Everything that has gone on the air at Channel 11 for the last 13 years, has gone through that switcher," said Larry Taylor, program co-ordinator.

The television station purchased another video switcher when it was moved into new facilities.

"A video switcher switches video signals," Mr. Taylor said. "It allows you to switch from camera to camera and to other video sources utilizing various special effects." He had work experience with Channel 11.

SERVES THREE AREAS

The program has three areas that a video switcher is used in: two studios and a video tape editing suite. Studio one is black and white at the present time. It will eventually be converted to color. Studio two is hooked up to a mobile van. The van is used to cover parades and sporting events in the area. The new switcher will replace the "obsolete" one in studio one.

"The switcher in studio one was so obsolete that when we had mechanical breakdowns, we couldn't get parts for it," Mr. Taylor said. Last year, he waited one month to receive one part. The parts are not in stock anymore.

Because it (the new switcher) has too many functions for the program's use, the required parts will be taken and rewired and mounted onto a smaller board. It should be ready in a month.

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SPORTS

Bob Gill, centre, and Greg Andres, left, accept $20 from a continuing education student for first place in the Car Rally put on by continuing education students Oct. 30. Proceeds from the rally went to the CATSCAN campaign.

(Photo by Theresa Gretzinger)

Students raise money; have fun at same time

Continuing education students made approximately $70 for the CATSCAN program through a car rally held Oct. 30 at Niagara College parking lot E.

Winning $20 for first place were driver Bob Gill and navigator Greg Andres. Second and third places went to Laura Hurtubise and Jon Nathaid, and Shelley Doucette and Pete Anikejew, consecutively. Both teams received honorable mention.

Proceeds of the rally were taken to the St. Catharines General Hospital for the Computerized Axial Tomography scan,(CATSCAN). The CATSCAN is a sophisticated X-ray coupled with a computer screen that allows viewing of materials of low density, such as tissues. It also gives the advantage of a three-dimensional views, whereas, the normal X-ray views only on one dimension.

TIMED RUN

Fourteen entrants followed a set route and were timed on their coverage of it. There were five route there were 30 written questions to be answered. All questions were based on surrounding scenery.

Each team consisted of a driver and a navigator. The navigator's duty was to be aware and alert of landscape for possible answers. Questions like "What grows to the east of where the horse crosses?", "What newspaper do the Morse's receive?" and "What is the number of the house across from the dome?" were designed to keep each team alert.

The rally was a project for the continuing education students. They had to plan and carryout a charity-based project as part of their training, Tracy Hopkins, management and human resources student, said.

Additions to time taken to cover the route were used as penalties. For missing a checkpoint there was a penalty of 10 seconds, for answering a question incorrectly, five seconds, and three seconds for not answering a checkpoint question correctly.

There was a $5 entrance fee.

Cafeteria sparkling clean

By ALETHA JONES
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One's first impression upon entering the college cafeteria is of sparkling cleanliness, even though a larger number of students use it this year, but a few are thoughtlessly leaving trays, paper cups and napkins littering the tables.

Rita Munro who came to work at the cafeteria in the second term last year, does an exceptional job of cleaning the tables and floors, and says she likes her job. "I love working here," she said, "I love every one of the students. They're a great bunch."

Most of the students co-operate with Rita and pick up their trays when they are finished their lunch, but a few irresponsible ones are making her job more difficult by leaving litter on the tables and sometimes on the floor. "I saw one boy deliberately place his tray on the floor, then go off and leave it," Rita said.

NOT JUST MESSY

She said it is not the fact that they leave their mess on the tables that bothers her, but the language they use when she asks them to remove their trays. "Once I just broke down and cried," she said.

"Don't get me wrong," Rita said, "the majority of students are very co-operative. They're a great bunch and it makes me feel bad when they come in and have to sit down to a dirty table, because sometimes I'm so busy I don't get around to cleaning the table in time."

Rita's tiny blue-smocked figure is to be seen flitting to and fro among the tables cleaning them off as one batch of students leaves and others take their place.

Students to receive use of gymanasium

Students at Niagara College's Welland Vale campus will finally have the use of a gymnasium, Steve Beardwood, student senate president, said.

On Thursday nights from 8:30 p.m. to 10:30 p.m., Welland Vale students will have the use of Dalewood school's gymnasium. The senate is trying to organize co-ed sports such as volleyball and floor hockey.

"If there is a big turn-out, we plan to have organized teams," Steve said. "If students don't use it, we'll give the gym time to someone else."

The senate does not have to pay for the use of the gym. Interested students can sign up in the counselling office.

Hockey team clipped by Kent State Clippers

By BILL POTRECZ
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The Niagara hockey Knights lost their final two exhibition games 9—3 and 13—2 to the Kent State Clippers, Nov. 4 and 5 in Kent State.

The Knights were soundly outplayed on both occasions, with the only explanation being it was the team's third game in four nights.

"We were blown right out of the picture," coach Fred Bassi said.

In the first game, the Knights jumped out to a quick 3—0 lead by the eight-minute mark of the first period only to see the Clippers reply with nine unanswered goals.

Chris Sergnese scored two goals and Chris Barry added one for the Knights.

"Goaltender Greg Yari played well, but had little support," coach Bassi said.

After tying the game 3—3 in the first period, the Clippers scored once in the second and five times in the third to put the game away.

8—0 LEAD

The second game at Kent State was a chippy contest with 23 total penalties. The Clippers jumped out to an 8—0 before the Knights replied. Mike Wagner and Glen Motosune scored for the Knights; however, the game was long over when these goals were scored.

Again, the goaltending was adequate, but the team offered Kevin Williams and Paul Piette little support.

"They are a better team than us," coach Bassi said. "But not that much better."

The Knights' opening game was Nov. 2 in Rochester and the Knights prevailed 8—5. Gary Dakin lead the Knights with three goals.

The Knights' home-opener was Nov. 11 against St. John Fisher and the next game is Saturday (Nov.19) at the Welland arena with Buffalo State University providing the opposition.

Demoe finishes second in Ontario finals

Lorne Demoe, of the Niagara College tennis team, placed second in the Ontario finals in Ottawa.

Lorne defeated Dean Wilkinson of George Brown 7-6, 6-2 in his first match of the tournament Oct. 29 and 30. He then faced Mark Thomas of St. Clair and defeated him 7-5, 1-6, 6-3.

Lorne said Mark had beaten him at the regionals and after winning, he knew he had a shot at the medals.

His third match was an easy victory over Dave Basner of Mohawk, defeating him 6-1, 6-4.

After winning his third match, Lorne was assured of the bronze medal.

His fourth match was against Jim McKrecken of Sir Sandford Fleming, Peterborough. It was a very close match which Lorne won 7-6, 6-7, 6-4.

"The fourth match determined whether I had a shot at the gold," he said. "The two tie-breakers took two hours to play, and they were very close."

AN OLD FRIEND

In the final match Lorne was defeated by Kevin Neill of Loyalist College, 4-6, 6-0, 6-2. Lorne said Kevin was an old friend and he lost to a better player.

"It was a tough three sets, but I was not tired; he was just better that day."

Lorne said he practised hard so he would play good tennis at the finals, and he was pleased with the motivation which he received from coach Peter Rylander.

"The coach was behind me all the way and that helped me a lot," said Lorne.

Both Kevin and Lorne had 4-1 records in the tournament but Kevin won the final to win the gold medal, with Lorne receiving the silver and Dean Wilkinson of George Brown getting the bronze.

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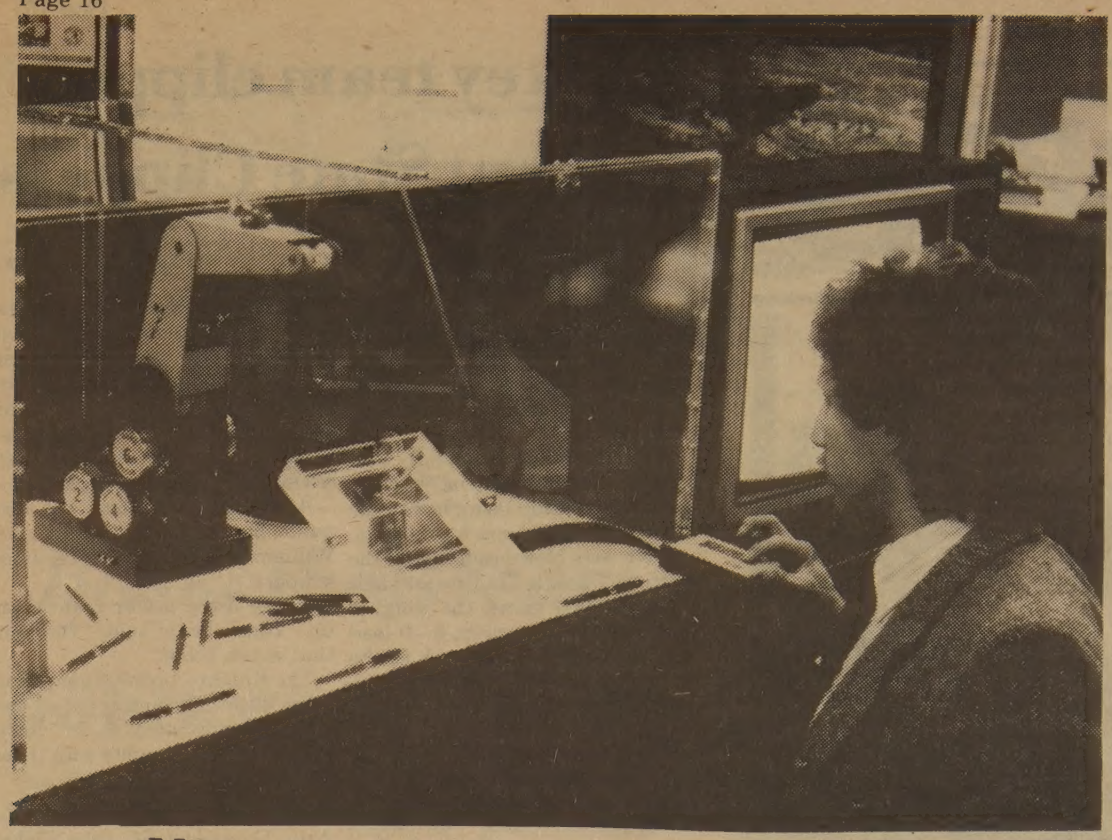

Niagara College high-tech show

Duncan MacDuff, development officer for continuing education services, vies for a free ballpoint pen as he operates the control panel of a Niagara College robot. The robot was part of the Niagara College exhibit in the first annual High Technology Show, held on Oct. 26 and 27 at the Skylon Tower in Niagara Falls. (Photo by Carol Alaimo)

Teacher, tech grads build NORTH system

While some teachers and students spent the summer travelling or catching some sun, one Niagara College teacher and two graduates spent their summer networking computers.

John Russel, a math instructor, and Andy Naundorf and Peter Plut, graduates of the computer engineering technology program, developed the Niagara Organized Resource Terminal Handler (NORTH) system.

The NORTH system connects the 16 computers in the microcomputer lab to one host computer.

PART OF REPORT

The graduates designed and built the system in the fall and winter as part of their technical report for their program.

In the summer, they installed it as part of a government-supported program.

Under the supervision of Mr. Russell, Peter worked on it for the first month and a half and then Andy took over for the final two and a half months.

Before the system was installed, each computer had its own floppy disc which stored information.

ONLY ONE DISC

Through networking, only the host computer needs a disc on stored.

The system "provides a lot of convenience for both sides," Mr. Russell said.

Students do not gave to go through the trouble of buying new discs and instructors are able to start classes earlier since they don't have to wait for students to purchase them.

It also puts off the college having to purchase new computers, he said.

Andy said the system is "working really well."

Students "are really pleased" because they don't have to worry about losing or damaging the floppy discs, he said.

At present, Mr. Russell, on a sabbatical this year, is studying to get his master's degree in computers at McMaster University.

Peter Plut is a technician with Canada Post in Toronto and Andy is a programmer-technician at Niagara College.

Industry, environment to clash predicts economic consultant

By ALETHA JONES
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The industrial structure in North America is on a collision course with the environment; this is a technology that alienates people, and the economic system has failed, an economic consultant said at Brock University last week.

"We have built an industrial structure that depends on renewable and non-renewable resources which is no longer sustainable," George McRobie, an economic adviser to world technology leaders, said in the chancellor's lecture Nov. 7.

Mr. McRobie, world chairman of the Intermediate Technology Development Group in the United Kingdom and author of the book, Small is Possible, was speaking on the topic, Economics as if People Mattered.

To have a solid industrial structure, raw materials are needed and the consumer is needed to buy the finished products. But the consumer does not have the purchasing power, he said. "Give people the economic power to do things

He advised working towards small-scale enterprises at the local and regional level, having co-operative and community ownership not to maximize profits but to maximize the human element.

Technology is concentrated in political power wielded by, and carrying the value system of, "the rich, white men" who have developed the modern economy, Mr. McRobie said.

"People and land are factors of production, but people don't enter into it at all except as factors of consumption. We should stress human economy, nature of importance of work and socializing of workers."

Mr. McRobie sees no sign of the economy ever getting back to the boom years of the 60s. He said the economic system has already broken down and will never recover unless "we get into it and knock hell out of the Japanese and others who have developed technologies to promote self-sufficiency."

In answer to a question of how the economy can be cured, he said, "give people the certainty that they would get food, clothing and services at standard prices — standard prices for standardized products."

Energy consumption must be cut. "Anywhere in the U.S. or Canada energy consumption can be cut by half, then by half again." The U.S. and Canada use twice as much energy as any other country.

One way to put people back to work and have enough work for them would be to take a year's unemployment pay to start people contributing towards their own employment. He said in Great Britain over the past 20 years, local enterprises have started production activities to employ young people. Prince Edward Island and British Columbia are starting to experiment with this concept.

"Our economists remind me of a group of people frantically changing the seating arrangement of the Titanic," Mr. McRobie said.

"We must have a technology which improves the renewable resources, and leaves the earth in the condition in which we found it. Our technology is failing to do this.

"We must do something about it."

Welland Vale Senate

Niagara College's Welland Vale student senate was elected Oct. 3 at the St. Catharines campus. The members of the executive, front row from left, are: Rita Gray, secretary; Steve Beardwood, president; Mary Duckworth, events chairperson. Standing in back row from left, are: Wayne Kennedy, vice-president; Darrell Daradick, assistant treasurer. Absent from photo are: Keri Chase, treasurer, and Morris Bosey, staff adviser. (Photo by Jane Stirling)

Four-day excursion

Ottawa, Trudeau impress students

By TRACEY CHAGNON
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A visit with Prime Minister Pierre Trudeau highlighted a trip to Ottawa for about 40 Niagara College students Nov. 2 to 5.

Mr. Trudeau took time out to meet the students — many of whom are enrolled in journalism, law and security and human relations. The trip, an annual affair is used to give students a first-hand look at government.

"I was impressed at meeting the prime minister," first-year law and security student Andy Jansen said. "He talked to me and shook my hand."

Gib Parent, Liberal MP from Welland, gave the students a tour of Parliament with the highlight being the Question Period.

SEE LOBBY

Mr. Parent showed the students the Liberal lobby. "This is where we live," he said. The lobby is used for the Liberals to hold votes and discuss strategy. Mr. Parent introduced the students to Jackie Karekorin, a 21-year-old page from St. Catharines who is attending Ottawa University. A page acts as a messenger for the MPs. "I wouldn't give it up for the world," Jackie said.

Students were afforded the opportunity to walk out on the floor of the House of Commons and sit in the chairs of the speaker and the prime minister.

"What we saw made me realize how far away politicians are from the ordinary people," first-year journalism student Shirley LeReverend said.

VISIT LIBRARY

Students visited the parliamentary library where they met Solicitor-general Robert Kaplan.

A bus ride, guided by Rechard Grenon, through Rockcliffe Park was impressive. Rockcliffe Park is a strictly residential district where the homes of many ambassadors and wealthy Canadians are located.

A visit to Rideau Hall was interesting and many of the students were awe-struck. "I was very impressed with it." first-year general college student Shelly Dell said.

Tour guide Marc Leger showed students a few of the elegant rooms.

SCHREYER HOME

Rideau Hall is the home of Governor-General Edward Schreyer and his family. Visiting dignitaries, such as the Prince and Princess of Wales, stay there when visiting Canada. "It is very elegant and impressive," first-year journalism student Tom Stockwell said. "It is a good place to impress visiting dignitaries."

Built in 1838 at a cost of $82,000, the home is on 88 acres of land and has a skating rink and tobogganing hill for the Schreyer children, Mr. Grenon said.

RECORD OF HISTORY

The Canadian War Museum provided students with a record of Canada's military history and exhibits ranging from Indian relics to a Nazi staff car from World War II.

"It was fun," Rene McKnight first-year journalism student said. "It was well worth going."

Karen Moreau and Zarko Petkovic, instructors at the college, were on the trip to superivse.

"It is never boring going to Ottawa," Miss Moreau said. "The students are always different and have contrasting views." Tom Stockwell summed up most of the students' feelings: "The tour guides were first-rate and very professional; it was a good experience."